ISRAEL DETERMINED TO TAKE PART IN USE OF WEST BANK WATER RESOURCES

israel today

By NECHEMIA MEYERS

REHOVOT —

Israel is determined to have a say on the exploitation of West Bank water resources even after autonomy is granted to the region within the framework of a peace settlement.

This policy, first enunciated by a committee of directors-general headed by Dr. Eliahu Ben-Elissar of the Prime Minister's Office and subsequently confirmed by the Cabinet, stems from the fear that Israel might otherwise be deprived of a substantial proportion of her present water supplies.

One-third of this water—about 500,000,000 cubic metres—now originates in the area slated for autonomy. It enters the water cycle in the form of rain which falls on the hilly regions of the West Bank and then flows underground and downhill to pre-1967 Israel, where it is pumped out of the ground and carefully divided among the cities, factories and farms.

With the development of more sophisticated agriculture and industry in the Arab-inhabited hills, people there will demand more water, even if it be at the expense of the predominantly Jewish coastal plain.

This is understood and accepted.

Fear of denial

However, Israelis are worried about the possibility that very large quantities of water will be taken out of the system (by extensive pumping in the hills), not because the Arabs need it, but only to deny it to the Jews.

This may sound far-fetched, yet it isn't. A similar situation existed along Israel's northern borders in the 50s.

At that time the Syrians began the development of an elaborate system of diversion canals and dams to prevent water from flowing from the Mount Hermon area and the Golan Heights into the Sea of Galilee, where it was pumped out and sent to central and southern Israel.

They did this though they had no use for the water themselves. And only when Israeli bombs, shells and commando raids destroyed some of the Syrian installations did they desist.

To be sure it takes a very long time—up to 500 years—for the rain which falls on the hilly regions to wend its way, inch by inch, to the coastal plain. Nevertheless, the problem is an immediate one, because as soon as the underground, downhill flow is cut, pressure is reduced and less water will be abailable at the other end.

Sea intrusion

No less important from a hydrological viewpoint is the fact that any reduction in the influx of water from the hill regions to the coastal aquifer will permit the intrusion of salty water from the sea, thus further reducing the quantity and quality of water supplies.

Total water resources could be increased by the construction of more desalination plants along the seashore or even by bringing fresh water from the Litani River in Lebanon, most of which flows, unexploited, into the Mediterranean.

But it would still be necessary to work out some formula for allocating the water, always a problem in any semi-arid area like the Middle East.

With goodwill, a solution could be found, as it was in regard to dividing the waters of the Colorado River in the Western U.S., the Rhine in Europe and the Nile in Africa; goodwill, however, is in short supply hereabouts.

That is why the Israel government is insisting that it be party to all decisions about the disposition of water resources in a region which, hydrologically speaking, must be treated as a single entity.

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Focus on boycott, capital

OTTAWA —

In a recent interview with The Canadian Jewish News, Norman May, national chairman of the Canada-Israel Committee, indicated there were two major issues of current concern in the context of Canada Israel relations. The CIC represents the Canadian Zionist Federation, Canadian Jewish Congress and B'nai B'rith.

The CJN: What are the primary concerns on the CIC's current agenda?

May: I would say, without hesitation, that in the hearts and minds of the Canadian Jewish community, the proposed federal anti-boycott legislation and the status of Jerusalem are the two up-front issues.

The CJN: Is there a problem with the anti-boycott bill?

May: Not with the draft legislation as such, although we are very interested in seeing a number of amendments being effected. The concern relates to the question of whether or not the draft bill and regulations will become law before a general election is called. We would like to believe that Bill C-32 has sufficient priority for the House to commit itself to moving it through as soon as possible.

The CJN: Are you hopeful that this will happen?

May: Certainly, but as each day passes the problem becomes more pressing. It's really a question of the Government's priorities and the willingness of the opposition parties to cooperate in expediting passage.

The CJN: What happens in the event that Parliament is prorogued before the legislation is on the statue books?

May: Well, that would of course create a new set of circumstances and the CIC would then have to determine what, if any changes, would be made in its policy and guidelines on this matter.

The CJN: You mentioned Jerusalem as another priority.

May: Yes, I believe that the question of Jerusalem, not only as the spiritual and emotional capital of the Jewish people throughout centuries of dispersion, but also as the united capital of the Jewish state, is of extraordinary significance. It is not generally known, for example, that Jerusalem has had a Jewish majority since the early years of the nineteenth century or that the legal arguments for recognizing its status as Israel's united capital are compelling. The CIC believes that efforts must continue to acquaint all Canadians with the facts, in the hope that Canada will give favorable consideration to move our embassy from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem.

The CJN: What specific programs are envisaged in this regard?

May: As you may know, our sponsoring organizations have already embarked upon an education campaign within the Jewish community and with Members of Parliament. This effort will be broadened and intensified in the coming weeks. We will be issuing a major policy statement in the very near future, which will include a number of specifics, among them, a proposal for a major national conference on Jerusalem.

Norman May

THEY WERE SMILING ONCE

(Religious News Service photo)

Menachem Begin and Jimmy Carter smile as they walk to Begin's office in Jerusalem following the president's arrival in Israel. Carter's jovial mood turned sour a day later when the Israeli cabinet rejected Egyptian proposals for a peace treaty. Talks are now at an impasse.

TJC pursues total planning

TORONTO —

A direction toward total planning, rather than the plugging of holes or reacting to emergencies, has been the governing concept behind the method of operation for officers of Toronto Jewish Congress during the past year.

Under the presidency of Rose Wolfe, the first woman ever in this position, overall planning has been the name of the game.

As Mrs. Wolfe approaches the end of her first term in office, she can look back at the tangible accomplishments of a year filled with the challenges of a growing community where ever-increasing needs have to be met. A full report will be presented at the annual TJC meeting on April 1 at Temple Sinai.

During an interview where she detailed the activities of the past year, Mrs. Wolfe spoke of the five ad hoc committees that had been set up as an "integral part of the re-evaluation process."

The committees with their appointed chairmen, are delving into many aspects of services presently provided and will make recommendations for their future roles.

The five committees include the Jewish Vocational Service guidance and counselling program, headed by Michael Benjamin; the foster children placement program of the Jewish Family and Child Service, chaired by Murray Segal; Community Hebrew Academy of Toronto (CHAT), headed by Ron Appleby; North East Jewish Community Services, under the chairmanship of Madeleine Epstein; an administrative study committee to determine relationships between TJC and agencies, job roles and other areas, with Phil Granovsky at the helm; and the Midrasha, with a chairman yet to be selected.

The interim report on foster homes is already in and others are due shortly, Mrs. Wolfe said.

Rose Wolfe

"In the planning it occurred to us that some areas have been getting a lot of attention and, some, I realized, have been completely neglected," she commented. "I immediately made appointments with chairmen of certain committees that I feel have not been getting the attention they deserve. We know there are good people there and so we haven't bothered them. You know it's usually the good kid in the the family that's neglected."

She says a major accomplishment of the past year has been the sharpening up of the mechanisms for decision-making.

"I don't see anything waiting for months to get on the agenda like we used to see," Mrs. Wolfe remarked. "We really avoid that kind of thing now, it's no longer a problem. It's the problem of passing from officers to the executive committee and the whole business of going back and forth between committees that has to be worked out."

When she first assumed the presidency, Mrs. Wolfe said, she was asked by someone to spell out in her first speech, just where TJC was going and to go into specific details for future plans.

"You can't do that. You just don't know what problems will crop up from one meeting to another," she said.

The big issues, as she sees them, are the spiralling costs of Jewish education and the drastic government cutbacks in all social services.

"Where will the funding come from? As citizens of the province and the country, we are concerned about it, but as managers of TJC, it affects us directly," she continued. "If we find ourselves in the position of having to subsidize these agencies with voluntary dollars raised by UJA, we have to be very careful, watch what cuts are taking place, monitor government action and act in concert with other groups where it will do some good to resist cutbacks. This makes for a great deal of difficulty."

Permeating all the plans and decisions, Mrs. Wolfe said, is the whole problem of the Israel peace plan.

"In the morning paper it said that the oil flow will depend on the pressure put on Israel with regard to a Palestinian state," she went on. "Now that's the icing on the cake and that covers everything. This is the one thing we have all been hoping and hoping against and it has happened. I think we Jews are more concerned with this than anything else. In the back of everyone's mind, that is what sits. We worry about other things, but we go home at night and that is what we talk and think about."

[First of two articles]

'Be strong' says CZF cable

TORONTO —

Judge Philip G. Givens, national president of the Canadian Zionist Federation, sent a telegram on behalf of the CZF last week to Prime Minister Begin which contained two words — "Chazak Ve'ematz — Be strong and of good conscience." This was a token of support for the prime minister of Israel in his negotiations with the president of the United States.

War crime bill would revoke citizenship

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO —

Toronto Liberal MP Robert Kaplan has introduced a private member's bill in the House of Commons that would deprive a Canadian of his citizenship if he is convicted of having been a war criminal.

Under Kaplan's Bill C-215, a citizen would be considered a war criminal if he or she committed a "grave breach" of the 1949 Geneva Conventions.

"Grave breaches" mean wilful killing, torture or inhuman treatment, including biological experiments, and wilfully causing great suffering or serious injury to body or health.

In his presentation, the York-Centre parliamentarian said: "...it is well known that there are over one dozen individuals in this category in Canada. Witnesses are available from among the Ukrainian and Jewish population who have come from Europe who can give evidence against these individuals."

In a telephone interview from Ottawa, Kaplan told The Canadian Jewish News that his bill has been referred to the justice committee, which will hold hearings on the matter at a yet undetermined time.

He said that if the current session of parliament extends into April, the bill may be actively considered, and the public invited to submit briefs.

Kaplan, whose name has often been broached by the press as a possible cabinet minister, said he thought his bill would be a "very popular measure and have the widespread support of all parties."

He added it was unlikely that the bill would become law during this session. But it could be passed within a year of its introduction, he said.

In his House of Commons appearance, Kaplan also urged his fellow MPs to pass a resolution requesting West Germany to extend its controversial Statute of Limitations beyond December of 1979.

Kaplan said he thought such a resolution could be passed within the next few days.

Turning to Bill C-215, Kaplan said it would apply to naturalized Canadians as well as native-born Canadians.

Asked whether any native Canadians had participated in Second World War atrocities, Kaplan said he did not know. "But I wouldn't be surprised if some Canadians were involved in atrocities in Africa and southeast Asia in their role as mercenaries."

In his House address, he commented that Canadian immigration authorities had been more zealous in ferreting out Communists rather than fascist war criminals.

Referring to the Holocaust as it affects Canada, Kaplan noted: "We must not forget. Canada has too much of a stake in World War II history. There were too many lives lost to allow what happened to be forgotten.

"What can we do to help keep intact our history of that war? One thing is to prosecute war criminals who are living in the country...It is clear that we have the jurisdiction to prosecute people guilty of war crimes here in Canada, even though the crimes may have been committed elsewhere in the world.

"We are signatories to the Geneva Conventions Act and there are precedents, five cases that I know of, in which Canadian courts prosecuted persons for committing war crimes that occurred in Europe. Our courts have already been prepared to assume jurisdiction in cases of war crimes."

Kaplan disclosed that the Canadian Jewish Congress had helped him prepare the bill by supplying him with files on war criminals in Canada.

Alan Rose, executive vice-president of Congress, said in an interview from Montreal that Bill C-215 would be "very helpful" in drawing Canadians' attention to war criminals in their midst.

He disclosed there are at least six major war criminals in this country, and that two of them — hailing from Hungary and the Baltic republics — were involved in "mass murders, terrible crimes."

Commenting on Kaplan's bill Rabbi Gunther Plaut, national president of Congress, said: "I like to think this should have been part of the Canadian legal system long ago."

He said he assumed the government would apply the law if the bill passed the House of Commons.

Arabs may lose part in Caravan

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO —

It appears that the Arab community of Toronto may not participate in this year's Metro International Caravan.

The Arab Community Centre, which claims to represent the interests of Toronto's Arabs at Caravan, lost a bid last week to name its pavilion El-Kuds, Arabic for Jerusalem.

The centre had been prepared to accept Caravan's rejection of its application for a pavilion entitled El-Kuds, but changed its mind after B'nai B'rith was allowed to call its pavilion Jerusalem.

Charles Roach, a lawyer representing the Arab Community Centre, told The Canadian Jewish News late last week that Caravan's deadline for application had already passed. He indicated, however, that he would seek to persuade Caravan to extend the deadline, and to permit the Arab Community Centre to use the name El-Kuds.

A Caravan spokesman said the Arabs had turned down its suggestion that the Arab pavilion be called Baghdad. Khaled Mouammar, a spokesman for the Arab Palestine Association here, said the Arabs were determined to use the name El-Kuds.

The Arab Community Centre has been a Caravan participant for the last five years and has called its pavilions after Aden, Baghdad, Cairo, Damascus, and Kuwait. "We are rotating the names between the 22 Arab countries and it was time for Palestinians," Mouammar said.

"We won't use the name Baghdad," he added. "Caravan is restricting us to the names already used. That means 17 Arab countries won't be represented at Caravan. It's unfair, and it won't work."

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Public library propaganda mitigated

By RUTH KAHANE

OTTAWA —

A display called "Palestine," mounted by the Arab Information Centre at the main branch of the Ottawa Public Library, has been partially dismantled after accusations that it is a "propaganda ploy".

Library director Claude Aubry said displays are theoretically supposed to show the culture, arts, and crafts of the sponsoring group, but when he received immediate negative feedback about this display's slant and contents, he acted to keep "mudslinging and provocation from one group to another" out of "the last free institution in the world."

Four days after the display of books, maps, artwork and crafts was set up, the director and library art specialist went to the main showcase in the front foyer and took out anything they thought carried political implications.

They removed books and periodicals, including such titles as **Israel and South Africa — the Progress of a Relationship**, and the main backdrop, a map of the Mideast showing "Occupied Palestine" and "Territories Seized by Israel" underlined by a quote saying: "You are asking me to guarantee your borders; what borders do you want us to guarantee?", attributed to former U.S. president Johnson talking to former Israeli Prime Minister Eshkol, Newsweek Magazine, Jan. 22, 1968.

But the overall sign "Palestine" remained — legitimate because Palestine is named over and over in the New Testament, Aubry said, as were books with titles such as **Between Olive Branch and Battlefield, Palestine and the Arab-Israeli Conflict, Towards a Democratic State in Palestine for Moslems, Christians, and Jews**, said to be "historical" in nature.

Two art prints of Palestinian refugees, entitled "We Will Return" and "Where To?", and a metal engraving mounted on velvet, of an El Fatah guerrilla carrying a machine gun opposite a map of Israel, were taken away.

But another engraving, of Yasser Arafat, clasping his hands above his head, with the words "We Shall Overcome" inscribed in Arabic below, was not seen as objectionable by director Aubry who said it seemed to be "non-political, just art", representing "a leader of his people."

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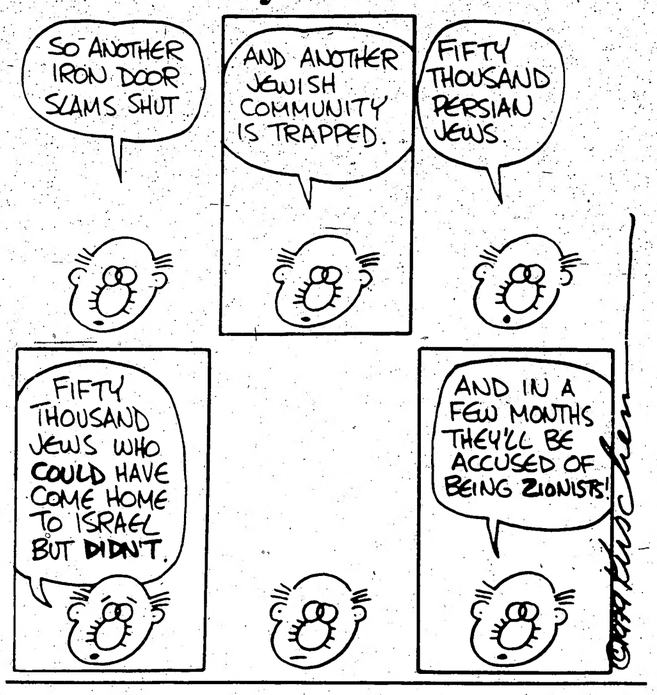
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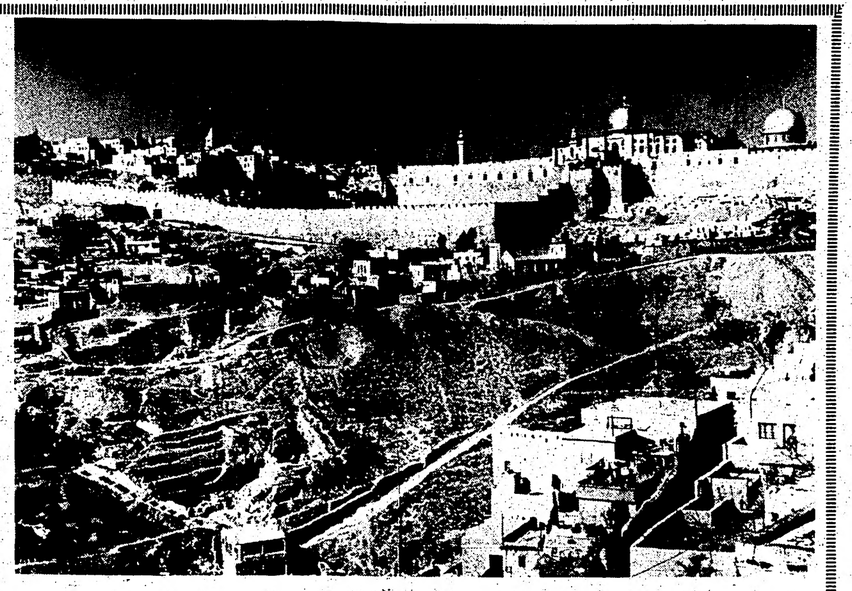

JEWISH ROOTS

Archeological digs around Jerusalem have yielded important finds, says the Hebrew University.

Israel's social chasm probed by academics

HAIFA [ZINS] —

A new research study conducted by Prof. Ozer Shild and Vered Krausz, of the Haifa University, examined the causes of the social gap and proposed ways of eliminating it. The study was based on data of the Central Bureau of Statistics and involved the interviewing of more than 2,000 Israelis belonging to both the Eastern and Ashkenazi communities. Parents were questioned on "what occupations they desire for their children and what vocations and professions they prefer."

Israelis—parents in all communities—prefer the "cultured" professions and are rather contemptuous of even highly paid trades, not requiring a higher education.

On the basis of the survey, the "Krausz Ladder" is headed by scientists, followed by doctors, lawyers, engineers and school principals.

Knesset members (this too is a profession) come after engineers.

At the bottom rung are gas station attendants while journalists are somewhere in the lower half of the ladder.

The researchers found that the gap between the communities, among samples having the same level of education, appears to be reduced by two-thirds. Quite possibly the "inferiority" of the remaining third is due to "inferior" occupations of the parents. In conclusion, the study confirms that the system of education is the focus for investment to reduce the social gap. The prevailing cultural-educational policy too should be changed. Proper equality, the Shild-Krausz study suggests, will be obtained when the two communities will have reached a similar occupational structure.

Upheavals in Iran, Turkey threaten Israel: Rubinstein

TEL AVIV [ZINS] —

The upheaval in the pro-Western regimes of Iran and Turkey is dangerous not only as it concerns the Arab-Israeli conflict, but also because of the penetration by the Soviet Union to the borders of Israel, writes Prof. Amnon Rubinstein in the morning daily, Ha'aretz.

If Iran and Turkey will both disappear from the map of pro-Western countries, then the USSR will approach the boundaries of Israel at a rapid tempo. The erroneous impression that a fanatical Islamic regime will not collaborate with a communist country is not supported by history or by the facts.

It is well known, writes the analyst, that the fanatical Moslem dictator of Libya, Muammar Quadaffi, is absolutely pro-Soviet. The writer rejects the idea that the events in Iran and Turkey have convinced America to regard Israel as its only reliable strategic base in that part of the world.

According to the writer, this is a naive view. He contends that because of the failure of its policies in Africa, Afghanistan and Iran, the United States cannot affort to waive the help of its Arab friends and rely only on the Israeli "trump card."

This view was also endorsed by journalist Eliyahu Salpeter of Ha'aretz, who quoted a high-ranking American official who had the following to say about Israel: "An Israel which is surrounded on all sides by enemies cannot, under any circumstances, become a strategic base for us. At best it can only serve as a sort of aircraft carrier.

"If Israel wants to be more than an aircraft carrier, it has to concern itself with a solid and secure hinterland or, at least, with a secure and friendly boundary with one of its Arab neighbors." Both journalists share the view that because of the persistent and unrelenting penetration by the Soviet Union into the Middle East, it is in Sadat's interest to seek peace and it is for Israel not to lose this historic opportunity to make an arrangement with Egypt. Both journalists are quick to admit that any peace is bound up with danger for Israel; but in their view such a peace is still better than any other possible alternative.

South Africans are competing with Israelis

TEL AVIV [ZINS] —

South Africa is the largest exporter of raw, unpolished diamonds and, until recently, confined its industry entirely to the export of raw stones.

However, of late, with the help of the government, a number of diamond polishing enterprises have been established which are now competing with Israeli production. The competition is very serious because the diamond polishing plants in South Africa enjoy special privileges that are not enjoyed elsewhere.

Exports of unpolished stones are subject to a 10% tax which is paid by every importer throughout the world including Israel. However, the local diamond polishing industry is exempt from the payment of this tax.

Thanks to this privileged status, the diamond polishers of South Africa are able to offer their products at a cheaper price than that of Israeli firms.

China's Jews total 30

JERUSALEM [ZINS] —

Only 30 of China's 839 million people are Jews, the Jewish Information Centre here estimated.

It reported that about 20,000 Jews lived in China between the two world wars, and that this number was doubled by refugees from the Nazis.

But the advent of the Communist regime brought about an exodus and only 400 Jews were left in 1958, and 30 in 1976.

Traffic toll claims 24,794 in Jewish state

JERUSALEM [ZINS] —

A total of 24,794 persons suffered injury or death in traffic mishaps last year, according to police records. Among the casualties were 24,179 wounded and 615 dead.

These statistics cover only Israel proper (not including the administered areas) and reveal that almost 1% of the entire population was involved in traffic accidents.

A spokesman for the police offered some reasons for this deplorable state of affairs: the unsatisfactory mechanical condition of motor vehicles; undisciplined drivers, and reckless operation of motor vehicles on dangerous roads.

Jewish shop machine-gunned

PARIS [JCNS] —

Uknown hooligans machine-gunned the shop of a Bordeaux Jew, Leon Levy, who is also the president of the local branch of the LICA (League Against Anti-Semitism and Racism). Levy was not hurt, but he found painting on the walls of his shop, and a drawing depicting a man with a pistol in his hand with the words "We will kill you. The gas chambers are still in action."

The police are investigating the incident.

The chief rabbi of Bordeaux, Rabbi Claude Maman, said that although he was concerned by the situation, one should not speak of a wave of anti-Semitism in Bordeaux. The archbishop of Bordeaux and the Protestant pastor, both severely condemned the incident which occurred during the screening of the television film **Holocaust**.

Billy Carter

WASHINGTON [ZINS] —

The White House has tried to disassociate the President from Billy Carter's anti-Semitic remarks—a source there conceded in the past week. "Billy is a problem," but according to the source, he is out of his brother's control.

According to The New York Times, Billy denies any erosion of his relationship with his brother—"he was not mad at all" about the Libyan incident, he said.

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The gas chromatography machine is just one of the many donations by the lodge to various hospitals in the Hamilton area.

In the past, a respiratory care unit to care for patients with serious respiratory diseases was given to St. Joseph's by the lodge. Two audio vascular testing machines to test the hearing of pre-school children and dialysis equipment have also been donated to the hospital.

Another hospital where the B'nai B'rith's generosity is noted is the Chedoke Hospital, where the B'nai B'rith Cottage is being used as a training and treatment resource for emotionally disturbed children.

HEBREW LESSON

In line with Prime Minister Menachem Begin's urging that Jews in the Diaspora learn Hebrew, the Keren Hatarbut Institute of The Canadian Zionist Federation has prepared a number of lessons in basic Hebrew. They were compiled by Joseph Klinger, executive director.

VOCABULARY

What	– MAH	Badminton	– The same in Hebrew
You	– AHTAH (m)	You	– AHT (f)
Doing	– OSEH (m)	Doing	– OSAH (f)
Going	– HO LECH (m)	Going	– HO LEH CHEHT (f)
On, In	– B'EH	Why	– MAH DOOAH
Sunday	– YOM REE SHON	Not	– LO
I am	– AH NEE	I have	– YEHSH LEE
Playing	– MEH SAH CHEHK (m)	Playing	– MEH SAH CHEH KEHT (f)
Tennis	– The same in Hebrew	To	– L'EH
And	– VEH	Theatre	– TEH AHT RON
Five	– CHAH MEE SHAH	Children	– YEH LAH DEEM
My own	– SHEH LEE		

**Note: "Ch" is pronounced as Chala and Chutzpah.

Translate the following dialogue:

Miriam: What (are) you doing on Sunday?
Dan: I am playing tennis.
Dan: And you?
Miriam: I am playing Badminton.
Dan: Why (are) you not going to (the) theatre?
Miriam: I have five children - I have (a) theatre (on) my own.

**Note: Words in brackets are understood.

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At three-day convention...

Sharp criticism raised at talk on Holocaust

By DAVID BIRKAN

NIAGARA FALLS, Ont.— An address on the Holocaust drew sharp criticism from among the 65 rabbis, lay leaders and day-school parents who attended the three-day Torah Umesorah convention here last week.

Rabbi Yaakov Wineburg, head of Baltimore's New Israel Yeshiva, compared the Holocaust to the potential slaughter of Jews in Esther's Persia. The reason Haman's mass murder of Jews was averted, he said, was because the Jewish community rallied and prayed to God, taking advantage of some Divine built-in safety mechanism on their behalf. It was because Jews failed to do this and because previously they were neglecting their peculiar function as a chosen people that Hitler was allowed to thrive.

"We Jews are different," stressed Wineburg, "we have had since Mizraim (Egypt) a role unlike any other nation's: to study Torah and enact its mitzvas." By fulfilling this role as a nation and individually, as best they can, Jews ensure the viability of goodness and morality in this world. Abandoning the task paves the way to the ascendance of evil. The Jews were, in effect, failing to generate enough sanctity in the '20s and '30s to keep evil at bay, said Wineburg.

One member of the audience, upset, set: "Is this what we are to say to someome who has lost a mother or father to Hitler?"

Another asked: "Are you blaming the Jews themselves for what Hitler did to them?"

"No, no," answered Rabbi Wineburg, "Heaven forbid. This was not a matter of their sins. The Holocaust was not a retribution for some sin they did. There was nothing any Jew did or could have done to have brought on something as terrible as that. Nothing."

Wineburg said since the fall of the First Temple, God showed his displeasure at the world by turning away from it, hiding himself from people. Previously, miracles could obviously be identified as such, often through the suspension of natural laws. Afterwards, right up until now—God has intervened in much subtler ways, indefinite and unidentifiable to those lacking faith and an historical sense of events.

"That is why we celebrate Purim: to mark the recognition that God no longer intervened in direct and obvious ways. We in the galut now learned to recognize His new type of approach."

Objections were also raised to Wineburg's stated refusal to participate in community Holocaust remembrance day programs.

"On one occasion, I accepted an invitation to speak at a Yom Hashoa program. I took the audience and its organizers to task for glorifying the fighters of the Warsaw Ghetto. By exalting a small proportion of those Jews who died, just because they went to their death firing machine guns, these Yom Hashoa organizers are saying that the rest of the Jews died ignobly. This is far, far, from the truth.

"With few exceptions, all the six million Jews faced death in dignity. Despite the Nazis' efforts to dehumanize them, they remained dignified human beings until the very end. Glorifying the end of one small group at the expense of the others is wrong."

Pressed by the audience, the rabbi said that perhaps he and Orthodoxy as a whole could take more demonstrable measures to commemorate the victims of the Holocaust. He said he did not know as yet an appropriate way of doing so.

In an interview with The Canadian Jewish News, Wineburg pointed out that in yeshivas and Orthodox day schools, events of the Holocaust are regularly brought into association with Chumash, Talmud and other subjects of study.

Asked whether the present age had deteriorated to a level allowing the rise of another Hitler, Wineburg replied: "Now there is still a great deal of lip service at least to the principle of moral justice. People still feel a sense of wrongness at hurting others.

"But let's not be smug about ourselves. This indignation at injustice is waning, the reactions get weaker all the time. . . ."

Wineburg was head of Toronto's Ner Israel Yeshiva for seven years, prior to taking his Baltimore post.

Torah Umesorah, which sponsored the convention, is an association of Canadian and American Jewish day schools. Among its affiliates is the Eitz Chaim in Toronto.

Escaped Jew from Syria 'speaks out, tells truth'

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO — The truth shall set them free.

Albert, a Syrian Jew who escaped from his repressive homeland last December, fervently believes in this time-honored motto. "I've taken the responsibility to speak out and tell the truth so that the Syrian government will let my people go," says the 37-year-old tailor who risked his life and that of his family by escaping from Syria.

"If we are quiet, no one will know what's happening," he says in Arabic through an interpreter. "I don't hate the Syrian people, but I do resent the government for persecuting my people."

Albert, a slight man with sandy hair and tinted glasses, thinks it is quite possible that the regime in Damascus may soften its policy toward Syria's 5,000 Jews as a result of his current North American tour publicizing the plight of Syrian Jewry.

"I'm hoping something will happen. The situation can't get any worse."

All the Jews of Syria have ever asked for was equal rights, he adds. Having been successful in attaining that, the Jews seek to emigrate. But the Syrian government will not allow legal emigration, so Jews desperate enough seek other means of escape.

Albert, whose presence in Canada was sponsored by the Canadian Jewish Congress' Committee for Jews in Arab Lands, is one of the very few Syrian Jews who have had the courage to voice an opinion on the subject in public. The majority of Jews who have made their way out of the country through illegal means have been silent, fearing for their own lives and those of their families back home.

A native of Damascus, Albert says he chose to underline the plight of Syrian Jewry because not a single member of his immediate family remains in Syria. Today, Albert, his wife and three children live in Tel Aviv, where they are learning Hebrew at an absorption centre.

He claims he is not frightened by the long arm of the Syrian secret police. Nevertheless, he declines to give his real name, or to furnish details as to how he managed to flee Syria. Moreover, he prefers not to be photographed.

In fact, Albert's nerves are somewhat frayed. According to a member of his entourage in Toronto, he refused to sleep in his hotel room after discovering that the taxi driver who drove them there spoke Arabic. Albert elected to stay the night at the home of Judy Feld Carr, chairman of the Committee for Jews in Arab Lands.

Albert said the situation of Syrian Jewry has taken a turn for the worse after a year or two of improvement. "It's very bad and we feel like second-class citizens. My children would have had no future in Syria."

(According to the American Jewish Committee, Syrian authorities have reimposed restrictions on internal travel and transfer of property that had previously been lifted. Secret police agents are present at synagogue services, and Jews have been warned that any Jewish home that does not have lights on in the evening will immediately be searched.

(Some Syrian Jews have been permitted to travel abroad if they post a hefty security bond and leave members of their family behind. But legal immigration is still prohibited. Last month, 20 Jewish men in Damascus and Aleppo were beaten on suspicion of helping Jews like Albert escape.)

Albert, who spoke through Fahima Meranda, an Iraqi-Jewish woman who has lived here since the early 1950s, said anti-Semitism has been present in Syrian society for as long as he can remember.

However, day-to-day relations between Jews and non-Jews continue to be good. The only exceptions to the rule are Palestinian Arabs who live with Jews in the Jewish quarter of Damascus, he notes. These refugees are embittered and make no distinction between Zionism and Judaism.

In Damascus, the Jews are fairly well off, certain restrictions notwithstanding. Albert owned a prosperous clothing store in the capital.

Albert says he made his first escape attempt when he was 18. He was betrayed and subsequently imprisoned for a year.

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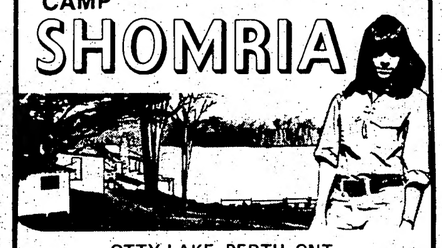

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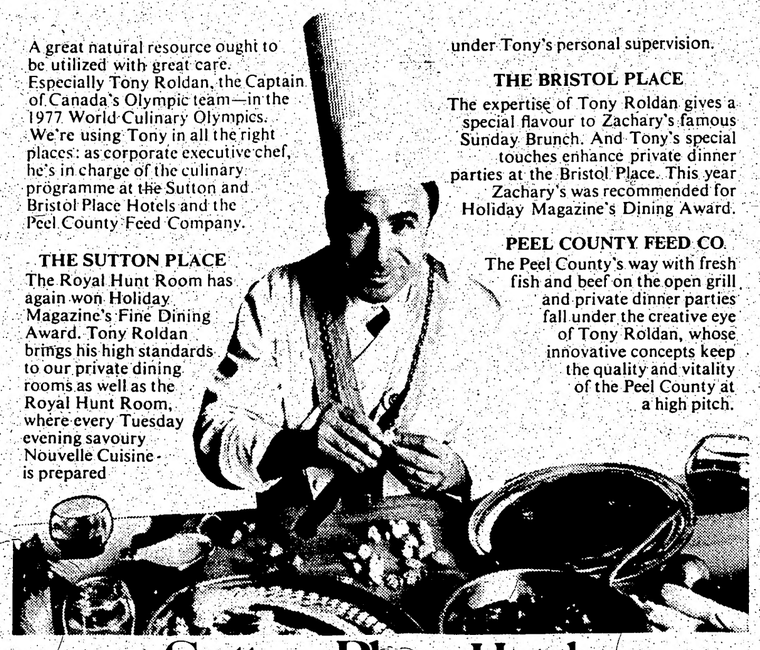

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New policeman

Gaining influence

While President Jimmy Carter and Prime Minister Menachem Begin were making it plain in Washington that Camp David is still in deep trouble, the president of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries, Mana Saeed Oteiba, was talking in Abu Dhabi like a man threatening a new oil boycott.

"Countries that expect us to maintain our supplies of petroleum," said Mr. Oteiba, who is oil minister of the United Arab Emirates, "should help us to arrive at a rightful solution to the Palestinian situation."

Meanwhile, in Iran relations between the various bodies disputing the right to speak in the name of Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini remain uncertain at best. In the Arabian Peninsula Saudi Arabia sees the fighting between North Yemen and South Yemen as a Soviet exercise in encirclement, and in Oman the welcome given the Queen by hundreds of young military officers in Sandhurst accents and desert boots is a reminder that the stability of the armed forces of the Sultanate depends on an officer corps supplied on contract by Britain.

It would be easy, in sum, to work up a first-rate case of hysteria about the vulnerability of the Middle East oil spigot following the downfall of Shah Reza Pahlavi, policeman of the Persian Gulf. And it would be easy for the West, in the grip of this hysteria, to persuade itself of the need to do something drastic to provide the Gulf with a new policeman.

In Israel the Begin Government is an eager candidate for the policeman's job. During American Defence Secretary Harold Brown's recent tour of the Middle East and again during Mr. Begin's visit to the United States, the argument has been made that because Israel is the only democracy and the only politically stable country in the region, Western security can best be protected by an Israeli-American military partnership.

The Israeli candidacy for the policeman's role depends on the thesis, advanced in recent years by a number of Israeli diplomats and journalists, that Soviet ambitions, rather than Arab animosity toward Israel, is the chief threat to stability and peace in the Middle East.

But the reality is that the Arab animosity to Israel existed before the Soviet Union, having voted for the creation of Israel in 1947, decided to exploit it. The success, such as it is, the Soviet Union has had in gaining influence in the Arab world depends on that animosity, just as American influence in the Arab world has depended, in part, on Washington's perceived capacity to exert influence on Israel. If Israel did not exist, the Soviet Union, for the sake of its own leverage in the Middle East, would have had to invent it.

Against the background of that reality Israeli arguments that overemphasize the Soviet threat in the Middle East can be expected to go on achieving what they have already achieved. That is, to supply hawks in Washington and other Western capitals with excuses for selling more deadly weaponry to Saudi Arabia and its clients.

Perhaps more dangerous, because it may be more superficially plausible in many Western eyes, is the notion that Saudi Arabia should be elected the new policeman of the Gulf. The promptness with which Washington responded to the Saudi call for weapons to be rushed to North Yemen suggests that Crown Prince Fahd is already on the point of pinning on the badge. And the danger is that there will be pressure, more likely from Western Europe than North America, to push Israel to agree to any deal at any price to keep Saudi Arabia happy.

But the West should first consider its experience with conservative monarchies as policemen in the past. First it was the Hashemite Monarchy of Iraq which, although armed to the teeth by the West, fell in 1958. Then came the turn of the Pahlavi dynasty in Iran. Those two kingdoms had the advantage, when appointed to the policeman's role, of looking secure, as the Saudis do not. The Saudis, and their spokesman like Mr. Oteiba of OPEC, play a dangerous game when they urge the West to sell Israel down the river. For they speak from vulnerability rather than security. They are more threatened by the Palestine Liberation Organization than Israel itself, and less than credible partners in preserving Middle East stability.

–Reprinted from the Globe & Mail

Opening soon

Rabbinical seminary

In view of the tremendous amount of publicity given recently to the Statute of Limitations question and to the showing of **The Holocaust** it is not surprising that another item involving Germany has been obscured by the controversy over the other two issues.

In the same week that Germans were being lacerated with a poignant film about the Nazi murder of six million Jews it was announced that a rabbinical seminary will shortly be opened in that country. The seminary, to be allied to the famous Heidelberg University, will train both rabbis and teachers to service the needs of Germany's 30,000 Jews.

This announcement comes almost exactly 40 years after the Germans put an end to higher Jewish learning in a country that had produced some of the most illustrious minds in the history of Judaism. It is rather difficult to understand but some rabbinical seminaries were still in operation in Germany as late as 1939 when WWII broke out.

Up until the '30s Germany was a vital source of Jewish scholarship. With a Jewish population of less than half a million, German Jews furnished the whole world with a steady stream of books, learned journals, encyclopedias and other materials dealing with Jewish scholarship. For many years the Monatschrift was the most important Jewish journal of research and thought.

In the early years of this century when the major Reform and Conservative seminaries were searching for professional talents to train aspiring young rabbis, they went to Germany to persuade scholars to come to America to share their learning and mastery of Jewish sources. North Americans who wanted to do serious work on Judaism had, perforce, to spend time in German rabbinical seminaries in order to imbibe Jewish scholarship at its highest level.

That world came to a shattering end in 1933. The Nazis destroyed both Jewish scholarship and Jewish scholars. One hundred years of brilliant creativity came to an abrupt end.

It is premature to see in that fledgling seminary in Heidelberg the beginning of a new golden age in German Jewish history.

Tragic photographs

A dormant controversy was ignited last week when two American photo analysis technicians appeared at a press conference in Washington, D.C. and displayed clear, unmistakable photographs of the Nazis' most infamous concentration camp, Auschwitz.

The photos were taken in 1944 by Allied aerial reconnaissance planes. They were so graphic in detail that one could identify camp officers marching a newly arrived group of prisoners to the open gates of the gas chamber-crematorium compound.

The analysts, Dino Brugioni and Robert Poirier, work for the National Photographic Interpretation Center. They said the TV series, **Holocaust**, had motivated them to study the reconnaissance photos.

The photos of the death camp are historically valuable because they prove a point—a point which Western governments are still loathe to admit.

Apologists for this view argue that the Allies had no categorical evidence that millions of Jews, or non-Jews, were being gassed and burned. As far as some of them are concerned, the concentration camps were mere labor camps where systematic executions did not occur. Needless to say, the argument plays into the hands of anti-Semitic propagandists who wish to deny the Holocaust ever happened.

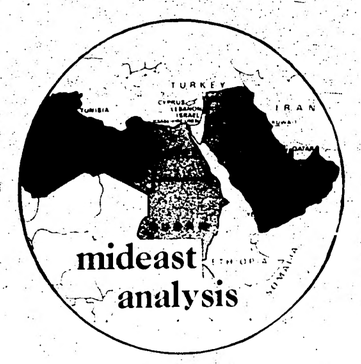
Even if some senior officials knew what was taking place, the tragedy is that they were not prepared to do anything about it. In 1944, the year the photos in question were snapped from thousands of feet in the air, hundreds of thousands of Jews, particularly Hungarians, were still to be deported and cremated at Auschwitz.

If the Allies, including the Russians, had sent a formation of bombers over Auschwitz and bombed the place off the map, hundreds of thousands of lives could have been saved. Barring that, the Allies could have bombed the rail lines leading to Auschwitz.

But they chose not to, even while sending planes over a German industrial complex less than five miles away from the gas chambers. One must conclude that the forces of light, pitted against the forces of darkness, did not care a whit about the fate of Jews in their bleakest hour.

The reconnaissance photos speak vividly and tragically of this monumental indifference.

Camp David accords trigger a debate in Israel over terms of a peace treaty



By SHELDON KIRSHNER

When Menachem Begin returned to Israel from last September's Camp David summit in Maryland, vociferous protesters waving black umbrellas were waiting for the Israeli premier at Ben-Gurion Airport. Begin, a keen student of European history, immediately understood the significance of the symbolism.

The hecklers, mainly members of the ultra right-wing Gush Emunim movement, sought to draw an historical parallel—albeit a false one—by comparing British Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain to Begin. Chamberlain, who was fond of black umbrellas in rain or shine, gained notoriety in certain quarters by practicing a policy of appeasement toward Nazi Germany. Begin, so the demonstrators would have it, was guilty of following a similar policy because he had allegedly capitulated to American and Egyptian demands over a proposed Israeli-Egyptian peace treaty.

It was ironic that Menachem Begin, the apostle of Herut fundamentalism, should have been accused of selling out Israel's vital interests in his quest for an Arab-Israeli settlement. A month earlier, no one in his right mind would have levelled that accusation against the man who was Vladimir Jabotinsky's chief disciple.

Although most Israelis support Begin's efforts to forge some sort of accommodation with Egypt, a vocal minority is vehemently opposed to his policy. They are the rejectionists of Israel, the unbending nationalists who fear that Begin is willing to give away too much for too little.

The thunder from the right is articulated, first and foremost, by Herut MKs Geula Cohen and Moshe Shamir, and by Gush Emunim, which has close links to the messianic Land of Israel movement. Last September, almost half of Begin's Herut Party members abstained or voted against the Camp David accords when the prime minister presented them for approval in the Knesset. Soon afterwards, Minister of Industry and Commerce Yigal Horowitz, a member of the La'am faction in Likud, quit his post in a move designed to show his deep displeasure with Begin's policy of rapprochement. Long before the row over the Camp David agreements shook the Knesset, Shmuel Katz, Begin's hand-picked advisor on external information policies, resigned over his old friend's stance.

Begin must contend with additional opposition from within Herut's ranks. Moshe Arens, chairman of the influential Knesset foreign affairs and security committee, has written numerous articles and delivered many speeches attacking the government. And Minister-Without-Portfolio Haim Landau, always considered a Begin loyalist, has of late retreated from his master's voice and criticized the premier.

Such has been the acrimony in Herut that Begin called on members recently "to cease their arguing and turn over a new leaf." He warned that the tension is so serious "that it is damaging our capacity to govern properly."

Though the Likud coalition could muster enough parliamentary support to sign a treaty with Egypt, the chorus of dissent would seriously embarass Begin and cause an historic schism in Herut. On the other hand, as political scientist Efraim Torgovnik points out in the Middle East Review, the extreme right-wingers "can offer no alternative leaders of Begin's stature and the Likud is, in the final analysis, a leader-oriented party."

The rejectionists base their opposition to Begin's policy on several arguments.

Guela Cohen, an Irgun Zvai Leumi veteran who fought with Begin against the British prior to statehood, declares that peace with the Arabs is illusory—a message that the prime minister used to put forward when he was Opposition leader. She says that the West Bank, part and parcel of the Land of Israel, should be annexed. Mrs. Cohen, who has denounced Begin as a traitor and has demanded his resignation, feels that Israel can stand up to U.S. pressure come what may. In her view, his autonomy plan—castigated by liberals—opens the gates to the creation of a Palestinian state. "If the Palestinians want a state, they have 22 Arab countries to choose from," she has been quoted as saying. "Let them go to Jordan. Most of the people there are Palestinians already."

Her colleague, Moshe Shamir, a kibbutznik who was once on the political left, has views that tally with hers. He is associated with Gush Emunim, whose leaders are angry with Begin because he has expressed a public willingness to impose various restrictions on Jewish settlements in the occupied areas.

Gush, which attracts religious and secular Israelis alike, claims a legitimacy based on Judaic values. "... the advent of the Jewish state was, to them, less the result of the triumph of (Zionism) than the beginning of a divinely inspired and ordained redemptive process," writes Kevin Avruch, a University of California anthropologist. "And this process depended, among other things, on the territorial integrity of Eretz Yisrael." Failure to do so would "constitute man's direct contravention of God's will. . . ."

Moshe Arens, who voted against the Camp David package, says Israel is being asked to make concessions which will weaken Israeli security. This, he adds, "could serve as a provocation for warfare."

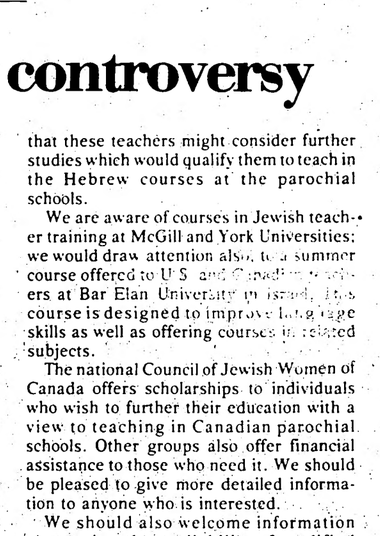
He elaborates: "Even if we accept the theory that Sadat has decided to disengage Egypt from Arab claims against Israel, and that he can withstand the pressures that will be directed against him . . . there is little doubt that Sadat's successor will come to power by force, or threat of force, and that he is unlikely to feel bound to commitments made to Israel by his predecessor."

Arens observes that it is senseless for Israel to relinquish the Sinai oil fields or the air bases which have served it so well since the Six Day War.

Landau fears that it may prove impossible to detach Egypt from its pledge to win for the Palestinians the right of self-determination. Therefore, he objects to Israeli territorial concessions in Sinai before being able to test Cairo's readiness to accept Israel's solution to the Palestinian problem.

He has declared that he intends to challenge Begin on his policy and, if necessary, to precipitate unpleasant confrontations with his leader.

Shmuel Katz, a South African Zionist who settled in Palestine when it was a British colony, has said that the treaty in its present form would undermine Israel. In his opinion, Begin committed two grave errors—first, by a willingness to recognize a Palestinian entity, and second, by a willingness to accept the principle of restricting Jewish settlement on the West Bank.



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Geula Cohen: extremist

The likelihood is that the voices of Geula Cohen, Moshe Shamir, Moshe Arens, Haim Landau, Shmuel Katz and their sympathizers and supporters will remain voices in the wilderness. The Israeli public is psychologically prepared for peace—although not under any terms—and the majority of Israelis will ultimately reject the policies of the rejectionists in their midst.

Letters to the Editor

Reader puzzled by article's controversy

Re Louis Darquier the "Eichmann of France." Having read the article "In Auschwitz only lice were gassed" (L'Express Nov. 4, 1978) I am puzzled why this should have provoked so much controversy, first in France and now also in your editorial columns (Feb. 8, 1979).

The question is surely: does denial exorcise evil—in particular the evil of Nazism? To paraphrase Bruno Bettelheim, the noted psychiatrist whose essays on survival are to be published this spring, denial is a primitive but rarely effective psychological defence against calamity. It poorly served the victims of the Nazi massacres and I suspect it is equally ineffective in dealing with its consequences. It is evident that this particular evil exists and thrives in the world of today, wearing a variety of new masks. To claim that any mention of its persistence is wrong is in itself a form of denial. It prevents us from effectively challenging it.

In the interview Philippe Ganier-Raymond shows consummate skill in exposing the blind hatred, the madness, the contradictions, the downright stupidity of Darquier. He shows far greater skill and knowledge than Mr. Larry Zolf a few years ago when he interviewed Von Thadden of the neo-Nazi N.P.D.

Were it not for the unspeakable tragedy, Louis Darquier, this vile and primitive murderer, so well exposed by the interviewer, would appear as a funny clown: first Eichman's banality of evil, now Darquier's stupidity of evil. Even Eichmann did not deny that the "final solution" took place—not Darquier, to whom Auschwitz was a delousing station, the extermination camps "resettlement," and the photographs, eye-witness reports, all documentation of the murders, all Jewish propaganda lies.

That such exposes always provoke anti-Semitic outbursts from predictable sources should not be surprising at all. Perhaps it should serve as a useful reminder to all decent people to remain vigilent, not to forget, lest it should happen again.

What everybody, including you and Madame Weil, fail to mention is the main revelation in the interview: the continuing collusion with Nazi collaborators of the many post-war French governments. Darquier was condemned to death in absentia on Dec. 10, 1947. Since then he was left in perfect peace; to live in Spain as an official translator for the Franco government. To this day no extradition was demanded by governments of France. He always entertained the most amicable relations with the Embassy of France in Madrid. They saw him often. At times he went to their receptions!

This goes a long way to confirm doubts about the old traditions of honor and integrity—not of French individuals—but of the Government of France from 1945 to the present day. No wonder Madame Weil (one of Giscard's elite was so upset!

Oscar P. Singer, M.D.,
Toronto

The purpose of this letter is to draw attention to the shortage of Canadians who are qualified to teach Judaic Studies and/or Hebrew in the Jewish parochial schools. There also does not seem to be any upsurge of interest on the part of high-school graduates to enter this field.

Whereas a number of qualified Canadian teachers are having difficulty finding positions in the public schools, it is suggested that these teachers might consider further studies which would qualify them to teach in the Hebrew courses at the parochial schools.

We are aware of courses in Jewish teacher training at McGill and York Universities; we would draw attention also, to a summer course offered to U.S. and Canadian teachers at Bar Elan University in Israel. This course is designed to improve language skills as well as offering courses in related subjects.

The national Council of Jewish Women of Canada offers scholarships to individuals who wish to further their education with a view to teaching in Canadian parochial schools. Other groups also offer financial assistance to those who need it. We should be pleased to give more detailed information to anyone who is interested.

We should also welcome information concerning the availability of qualified Canadian teachers and of other courses which are offered.

Mrs. Jean James,
Chairperson,
Irene Samuel Scholarship Fund,
National Countil of Jewish Women
of Canada,
Winnipeg

Your editorial entitled "The Miami Castaways" in your Feb. 15 issue, quite properly draws attention to the needs of those members of our society who are approaching or have reached retirement age. This neglected segment of our community, many of whom have retired to Florida, are, as you say, the cast-offs of our era.

It is, however, untrue that "synagogues and Jewish institutions are doing relatively little to enrich the lives of these forgotten people."

As it happens, the writer has just returned from a conference held in Miami by the United Synagogue to inaugurate a large-scale program of activities designed to enrich the lives of the more than 200,000 members of the Conservative movement now residing in the greater Miami area.

More than 300 Conservative rabbis and lay leaders spent an entire day planning the details of a program for this area which will serve as a model for similar programming for the 830 congregations of our movement throughout North America.

It might also be of interest to your readers to know that the reason I was invited to attend this conference was that for over three years the Eastern Canada Region of the United Synagogue has been conducting a very intensive and successful program in our Conservative congregations in Montreal, which we call creative leisure activities. It was also felt that the experience we have gained in this work might be of value in planning our large-scale program in the rest of North America.

William Abrams, Co-Chairman,
Canadian Council
for Conservative Judaism,
Montreal

Just a little note to let you know how much we enjoy your weekly newspaper.

It is very informative to the Jewish community, with latest happenings in Israel, and here in Montreal, too.

We had relatives here visiting us from Israel, who were very impressed with your coverage of Israel. We look forward to receiving future copies of most enjoyable reading.

Mr. I. Back,
Montreal

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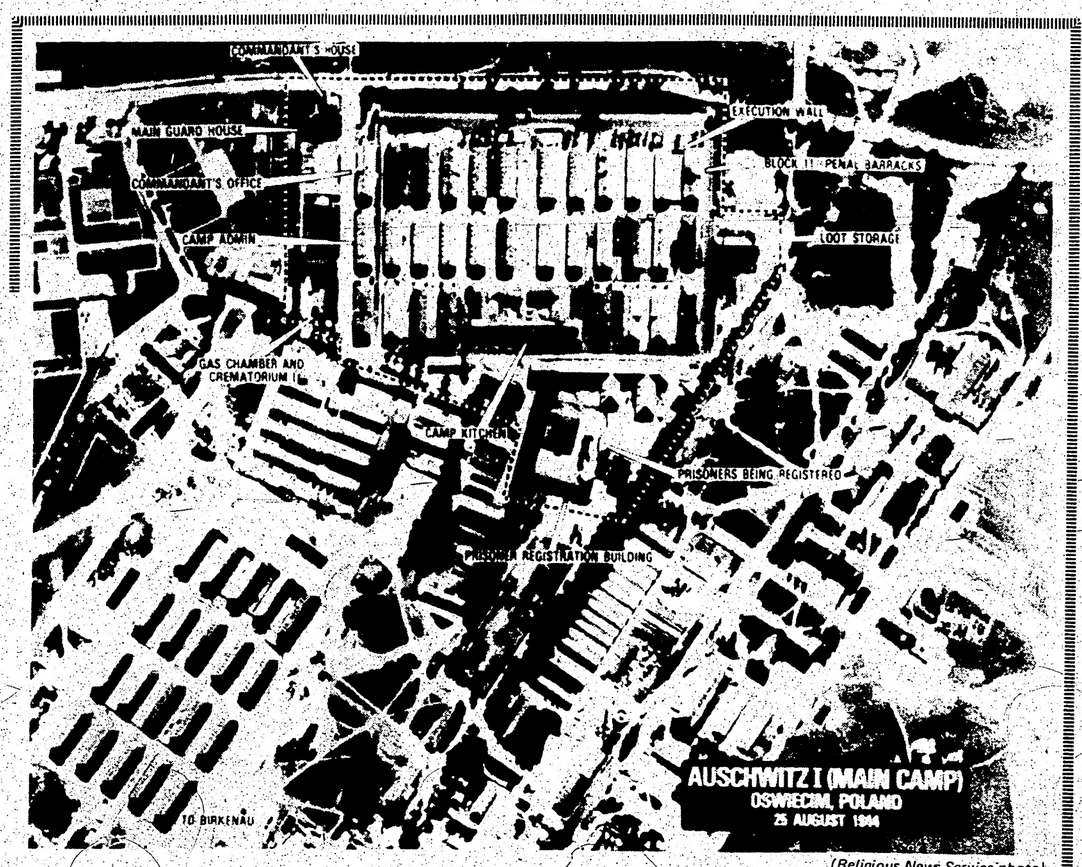

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This is an aerial view of history's most infamous concentration camp, Auschwitz. It was not bombed by the Allies, as could have been done. The photograph, recalling a black page in the long chapter of Jewish history, was taken in 1944.

RANGE IN RICHNESS

GOOD SOURCE BOOKS ON THE MARKET

By DAVID BIRKAN

Living Jewish
By Michael Asherl
Everest House, 291 pages cloth, $14.95

A Big Jewish Book
edited by Jerome Rothenberg
Doubleday Anchor Press
63 pages, paperback, $9.95

An increasing number of good Jewish source books have come on the market for readers whose lack of Hebrew would prevent them from tackling the originals. The selections above represent the range and richness of Jewish life and legend in a contemporary and easy to follow English style.

Living Jewish is basically a halachic reference book, detailing the customs followed by observant Jews. It contains information fascinating to those who are unfamiliar with the traditional aspects of Jewish holidays, marriage, divorce, birth, death, prayer, dietary laws and other topics that have comprised the life of Jews throughout the ages.

Unlike some halachic books, **Living Jewish,** itself an Orthodox book, discusses and explains differing beliefs, practices, customs and traditions among all three major practises of Judaism in North America. As well, are described some differences between Sephardic and Ashkenazic rites.

The basics are dealt with in the first chapters, which includes the definition of a Jew and the distinction, traditional and contemporary, between a Cohen, Levi and Israel. Also discussed are some of the differences between Ashkenazim and Sephardim, as well as the Falashas of Ethiopia, the four distinct Jewish communities of India, the remnants of the Chinese Jews of Kai Feng Fu, the Tatar-speaking Krimchaks of Crimea and the Caucasian Jews of Georgia. Offshoots of the Jews are discussed as well, including the Karaim, the Samaritans, the Sabbateans, the Frankists, the Portuguese Marranos and the Chuetas. Long dissertations on each of these groups would be beyond the scope of **Living Jewish**; the descriptions, sometimes limited to two or three paragraphs do seem to convey the essentials.

The halachic laws governing Jewish life, from birth to death, from morning to night, from cycle to cycle that make up the Jewish year of feast and fasting, occupy about half of the book's attention. For those who are not familiar with them, these rich and all-encompassing laws will be fascinating to read. In itself, this halachic core provides an excellent reference for those who are interested in any aspect of Jewish life, from, say, medicine to politics to art.

Subsequent chapters deal with Israel, the afterlife, the Jewish concepts of sanctity and sin, conversion, apostasy, sex, tobacco and alcohol, science and evolution, and charity, among other things.

Also included are several helpful appendices. One deals with Jewish names, another with the calendar, and yet another with the blessings pronounced over various foods and events.

A glossary in English transliteration gives the meaning of many Hebrew, Yiddish, Spanish, Aramaic, Ashkenazic and Sephardic terms. There is an index, too, short but helpful.

In all, **Living Jewish** is one of the best English-language books available on Jewish lifestyle. While it describes the fundamental laws and, to some extent, their evolution over the ages, the other to be discussed, **A Big Jewish Book** is a collection of mystical reactions to the life and lore engendered by those laws.

A Big Jewish Book is a compendium of poetry from the Torah, from the Talmud and its classic commentators, from individual Jewish mystics, from the Zohar, from the books of Daniel, Ezekiel, Enoch and others, and from the Mishnah. Contributions from contemporary Jewish figures, not only those in the world of letters, are also included in this impressive tome that spans the millenia.

Classical names like Isaac Luria, Moses de Cordova, Moses of Burgos, Eleazar ha-Kallir, and Nachman of Bratzlav, among others, mix here with Allen Ginsberg, Franz Kafka, Nelly Sachs, and Gertrude Stein. Albert Einstein's theory of energy is also presented. Not all of the dozens of writers quoted here would have considered themselves mystics either in whole or in part. Yet these sections of their thoughts present vivid images often unnerving, sometimes profound, and always delightful to contemplate.

As an example of the classical segments, here is one of **A Big Jewish Book**'s quotations about the Shechina, the earth-visiting radiance of God. It is taken from Midrash Ha-Gadol Shemini. "Her radiance . . . is so great that the angels must cover their faces with their wings so as not to see her. The ministering angels are removed from the Shechina by thousands of miles, and the body of the Shechina herself measures millions of miles."

Lilith, the demonic counterpart of the Shechina, whom legend described as the first wife of Adam, is described by poet David Meltzer in one of her envisioned contemporary incarnations:

"Ah you old whore
step halfway out the blue door
with Woolworth mirror bangles
and burlesque spangles
and wink at any guy
passing by
minding his own business.
We all know Lilith
as she moves."

Some of the images—visions, in the terminology of anthropologist and editor Rothenberg—are very heady indeed. While they may not all be to every reader's taste, and while some may elude comprehension, having been presented without any helpful commentary, they present significant insights into Jewish mythical thought.

OLD MAN IN THOUGHT

This acclaimed oil painting by Jack Levine, entitled "Shammai 1976," was featured in a recent exhibition of Levine's work at New York's noted Jewish Museum.

Israel's Biblical Zoo has universal appeal for school children and foreign visitors

By GRACE GIRSCH

JERUSALEM —

When God created the beasts of the earth, the fowl of the air, the fish of the sea and every creeping thing, he must have foreseen their role in "Zoo Zionism." At least that's how Prof. Aharon Shulov, founder and current chairman of the Jerusalem Biblical Zoo, sees it.

Certainly, the history of the Biblical Zoo is enmeshed with the turbulent past of Jerusalem itself. Today zoo animals remind their 300,000 onlookers each year not only of the ancient fauna of Eretz Israel, as mentioned in the Bible and Talmudic literature, but also of the city's more recent history.

One zoo sign punctured with shrapnel during the Six Day War is a mute reminder of 110 animal casualties.

In 1939 with the donation of 15 English pounds and a monitor lizard, Shulov, then a young Russian immigrant, established his animal life corner. Envisioning its role in Zionism as a "neutral meeting ground for people of all creatures and creeds," the zoo thus began unpretentiously in a laundry courtyard of the former Hadassah Hospital near the centre of Jerusalem.

Later situated near Mandelbaum Gate on the perimeter of Jewish Jerusalem, animals came under heavy sniper fire during the beginning of the War of Independence. Relocated in 1947 on Mount Scopus, the 122 animals were consequently besieged for three years. By 1950 only 18 of the animals were still alive, and these only because Prof. Shulov and keepers crawled by night under fire to feed them. An armored UN convoy finally transported these few survivors to the present location in Shneller Woods, Jerusalem.

The zoo now contains over 500 animals, including a complete collection of the same 120 animals mentioned in the Bible. Reintroducing extinct or near extinct biblical species to Israel is central to "Zoo Zionism," says Shulov, professor of zoology at the Hebrew University. For example, the Nubian Ibex (wild goat) which had dwindled to only a few pairs by 1948 has been increased to around 800; and the biblical Fallow Deer which disappeared from Israel during the 20th Century will soon be reintroduced to the Negev and Jordan Valley.

As another element of "Zoo Zionism," the Cameroun Sheep has been successfully bred at the zoo and sent to numerous moshavim and kibbutzim as livestock.

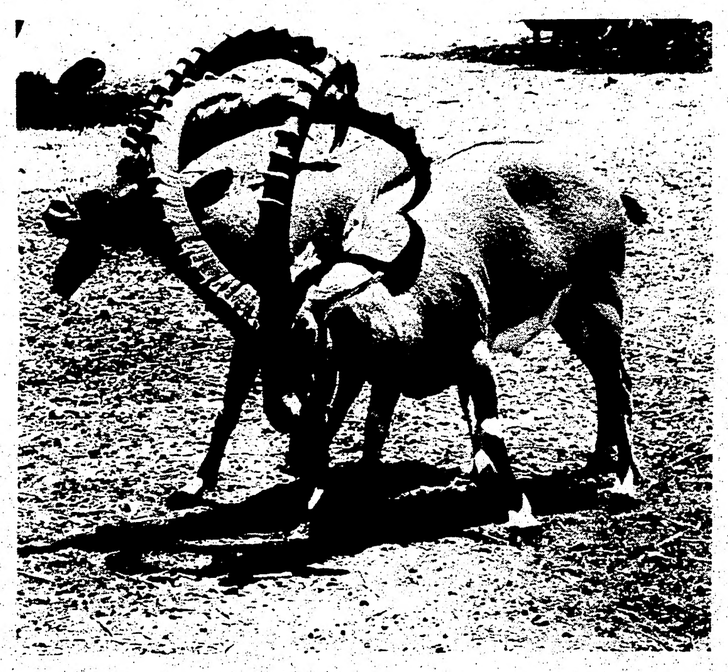
If preserving the animal life of Israel conjures up images of a modern day Noah, that vision may soon be reality. Plans are well underway, with rabbinical consultation, to replicate the original Ark on zoo grounds. The project will be completed according to biblical specifications by volunteer carpenters and a donation from the Jewish National Fund.

Enhancing the zoo's biblical emphasis, a second special exhibit will represent the prophecy in Isaiah 11:6, "The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid. . . ." Wolf cubs and lambs have been raised together and will soon occupy the same compound.

Shulov switches easily from biblical verse to tales of adventure, when referring to the zoo. His modern sagas vie with the Jewish animal lore of earlier centuries where ravens talk, and lions sing and frogs have magic wisdom. He tells of the 1941 escapades of runaway vultures discovered atop the British police headquarters. (The same two vultures are now the last survivors of the Mount Scopus collection.) Next he lapses enthusiastically into an account of the rescue of near extinct Persian gazelles from menageries for sheiks abandoned in Jericho following the Six Day War.

Indeed his renditions rival the fascination of earlier animal lore. One age-old classic of the 140 animal tales preserved in the Jewish Folktale Archives relates: An old father, whose days were numbered, called his son and said to him: "My son, fulfil this last request: After my death go, day after day, to the seashore and cast two loaves of bread upon the water." The young man followed his father's wish, and for his kindness to the animals of the sea was rewarded with the gift of understanding animal language.

Though making no claim to this mythical power, Shulov insists that animal language is universal in its appeal. And certainly, the Biblical Zoo, attracting Arab school children, Hebrew speaking nature classes and foreign visitors, provides that "common ground" envisioned by Israel's first zoo director 36 years ago.



Adult male ibexes locking horns in combat. They live in Jerusalem's Biblical Zoo.

Massive project being undertaken to write Sephardic, Oriental history

JERUSALEM —

The academic committee of the Hebrew University's Misgav Yerushalayim Institute for the Study of Sephardic and Oriental Jewry has decided to undertake the massive project of writing up the history of Sephardic and Oriental Jewry from the 15th century to the present.

The project's crowning achievement will be the publication of a seven volume documentary history of this community, starting with its expulsion from Spain, its dispersion throughout Northern Africa, Iran, the Ottoman Empire, Europe and the Americas, and including events in post-World War I emancipated countries and up to the present time.

An international editorial committee based in the institute will co-ordinate research and writings solicited from historians in Israel and abroad.

This project, unprecedented in scope and size, is designed to answer to the needs of all those engaged in the study of Jewish history, who have noted the paucity of monographs describing the history of Oriental and Sephardic Jews. Although work has been done on a wide array of subjects, including the community's history in various countries, its spiritual and Halachic contributions and the chronicles of specific congregations in the Sephardic and Oriental Diasporas, the monographic material has been of uneven quality, and no single definitive compilation has been produced. The project under discussion concerns itself with an historical period over five hundred years long and covers a vast geographic territory spanning Europe, Asia, Africa and America.

Within the framework of the project, research and seminars will be conducted for the clarification of methodological problems and the study of specific historic events. It will also serve as a workshop for training young researchers who will fill the gap in the research and teaching of the history of Sephardic and Oriental Jewry.

The Misgav Yerushalayim Institute, founded in 1973 by the Hebrew University, the World Sephardi Federation and the Council of the Sephardi and Oriental Communities, Jerusalem, is an academic institute whose purpose is to study and investigate the heritage of Sephardic and Oriental Jews through the publication of research, establishment of a library and collection of any and all material relevant to the subject. Its academic activities are undertaken in collaboration with the university's faculty of humanities, Institute of Jewish Studies and Institute of Asian and African Studies.

Misgav Yerushalayim's academic committee is headed by Prof. Joshua Prawer. Victor Eliachar and Leon Tamman head the board of governors, and the administrative committee is chaired by Eliyahu Eliachar. University President Avraham Harman is chairman of the board of trustees. Issachar Ben-Ami is director of Misgav Yerushatayim.

What is a Jew? not as strange a question as it appears to be

By LEO TOLSTOY

What is a Jew? This question is not as strange as it appears. Let us see generally what kind of creature he is. The rulers and peoples of the world have insulted, oppressed and persecuted him, hunted, trampled underfoot, pursued and burnt him, but in spite of all this he is still alive and resisting.

What is a Jew? No one in the world has succeeded in enticing or corrupting him, neither by oppression nor persecution tempted him to renounce his religion or ancestry. A Jew is a holy creature, who acquired from heaven an endless fire, the light from which still shines upon the whole earth and for those still living. He is the source and spring from which all others have drawn their own religions and faiths. The Jew was the first to discover culture. For centuries because of ignorance and barbarity it was impossible to live on the holy earth: furthermore, even today in most civilized Europe and in these savage unsociable times when human life has no value whatsoever.

Rabbi Akiva spoke against capital punishment: and yet even now in the most civilized country they still practice this. The Jew was the first one to discover freedom: even in primitive times when people were divided into two groups, the lords and the slaves, the Mosaic Law was not to keep a man in slavery more than six years.

A Jew is a symbol of social and religious patience, and tolerance: "Love the newcomer or convert him" said Moses! because Moses himself was a stranger in the land of Egypt. Those words were said in a long ago time of barbarity and cruelty, when it was customary for people to subjugate one another, even a friend. As far as religious tolerance is concerned, the Jewish religion is far from snatching souls: on the contrary, the Talmud teaches that if a Gentile wishes to convert to the Jewish religion, he must be informed that it is hard to be a Jew! And that righteous people from other nations will also inherit the celestial kingdom.

A Jew is an eternal symbol: Neither slaughter nor torture were able to destroy him, nor was the sword of the Inquisition able to erase him from the face of the earth. He was the first one to proclaim the words 'ladies and gentlemen.' He also was the steady guardian of prophecy which transmits to the remainder of mankind. A nation like that can never disappear. A Jew is eternal. He is the embodiment of eternity.

Translated by Tonia Feigleman

Depressed mood caused by

Haunting news story

By J.B. SALSBERG

For more than a week now I have been disturbed, yes, haunted by a news story from Teheran that appeared in The New York Times on Feb. 22, 1979. It reported an interview that Times correspondent, Gregory Jaynes, had with four "leaders of the Jewish community" in the Iranian capital.

I confess that the Times' story disturbed my sleep the night I first read it, in abbreviated and in a Yiddish translation in the Daily Forward of New York. After reading the full report in the Times, my depressed mood only deepened.

The Times reporter tells us: "The four Jewish leaders, three of them in business and the fourth a rabbi, all enormously influential in their community, gathered this afternoon in an office in downtown Teheran for an interview. They preferred not to give their names."

I don't know whether the four individuals that gave the interview were really "enormously influential" in the Iranian Jewish community or whether they spoke for themselves only, since there is no indication that they were delegated by the community to speak on its behalf. But what they said shows them to be desperate and frightened men who are ready to attack Israel in order to win favor in the eyes of the new Islamic leadership that holds the real power in Iran now.

Here are some of the depressing things they had to offer The New York Times:

They expected acts of violence against their people, but they were forming a committee to convince the new regime that the Jews wanted to be part of the revolution. " 'We expect scattered clashes,' one of the leaders said, 'but it will not be on the level of the whole community.' He suggested that such 'occasional clashes' between Moslems and Jews 'be ignored so that we can align our interests with the future system.' " (It's woeful to read this. "Clashes" means pogroms, in my language, and "local clashes" means local pogroms. But the Times reporter is asked to ignore such pogroms. . . .)

"What surfaced," wrote the Times man, "was a strategy designed to show the government appointed by Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini that the 27-centuries-old Jewish civilization here is worlds apart from any other, particularly Israel." (It's painful to read this part, of course. But that wasn't evidently enough of a separation from Israel and world Jewry, so the pitifully frightened four Jews went further.)

"One of the factors that kept the Shah in power so long," they told the foreign correspondent, "was the fact that Israel supported him. For this, the Moslem population in Iran will reflect badly on the Jews here." (So it was Israel that kept the Shah in power so long! And who says that? Some, so-called, "enormously influential" Jews in Iran!)

There is no use in inflicting more pains on ourselves. But I must mention at least one other degrading statement that those frightened men are quoted to have made: "We must all be self-sustained and independent from other world Jewish organizations." (They also said that they refuse all money offered them from abroad. . . .)

Sad? Disturbing? Even haunting? Yes. But it ill-behooves us to be self-righteous. And this is not only because of the ancient Jewish dictum to refrain from sitting in judgment over a fellow man. But also because other Jewish communities produced similarly degrading personages who pursued a similarly disastrous course in their time of distress.

Only some six or seven years ago, Moscow put on a cynical spectacle for the world press by presenting an entire panel of "prominent Soviet Jews" to report their total denial of all charges of anti-Semitism and persecution of Jews in the Soviet Union. On the eve of the first Jewish world conference for Soviet Jewry, in Brussels, Belgium, the Kremlin even dispatched a Soviet Jewish general (Dragunsky) to undermine the conference with his press interviews and public speeches.

On the eve and in the early period of Hitler's rise to power there were "prominent German Jews" who spoke up in a manner not much dissimilar from what the four Teheran "leading Jews" had to say to The New York Times.

As for the behavior of many "Judenratler (members of the notorious Jewish Councils) that the Nazi occupation forces created in countless Jewish communities, the less said the better.

No, the four cowed Jews in Teheran are not the first and, I hate to say it, they will, to our sorrow and shame, not be the last.

But let us be careful not to direct our painful frustration at the haunted but at their enemies, the hunters.

Let us not direct our scorn and revulsion at the frightened and threatened, but at their pitiless enemies who threaten their Jewish prey.

Organizations and People

what's new

By MIRIAM HERMAN

HOLOCAUST WEEK

"In the face of rising neo-Nazism and in an effort to educate the university community," the Jewish Student Federation at York has programmed five days of activities, beginning the 18th, marking Holocaust Remembrance Week. Highlighting the event is a range of lectures on Canada's immigration policy during the war, Jewish resistance, and the Holocaust and human behavior. Movie screenings include **Voyage of the Damned**, Monday evening at 8 in Curtis Hall and **Seven Beauties**, the same location the following evening at 8:30. For further information on the week's schedule phone 667-3647.

ANTI-SEMITISM

Following on the theme of German anti-Semitism, Beth Tzedec Congregation presents a scholar on the subject, Ismar Schorsh, dean of graduate studies at The Jewish Theological Seminary, at the synagogue this weekend. On Saturday, the 17th, the Jewish historian takes as his morning pulpit theme **Ancient anti-Semitism: the Jew as Misanthrope**. Sunday morning at 10 Schorsh turns to medieval anti-Semitism and then examines its modern form that evening at 8:30.

CULTURE MONTH

It's Jewish Culture Month at the University of Toronto, and history and humor are among the lecture offerings. Allan Gould handles the former in an address at the Faculty of Library Science, Room 205, 8 p.m. on Tuesday the 20th. Archivist Stephen Speisman dips into the history of Toronto's Jewry, on the 21st, same time, same place.

A LITTLE MUSIC PLEASE

Temple Emmanuel's cantor, Thomas Schwartz, is the next artist in the Friends of Music Recital Series, at 3 on the 18th, 596 Markham St. Pianist Mark Yolleck will accompany the tenor as he performs Schubert's **Die Schone Mullerin**. For information phone 667-3246.

ART ON THE BLOCK

The mothers' association of Eitz Chaim Schools, in conjunction with the institution's annual dinner, is holding an art display and sale, March 18, 5 p.m. at the Bayerest Terrace. The viewing features prints and lithographs on Jewish themes. For further details contact Sandra Gewirtz at 782-9658, or the school office at 789-4366.

Maccabiah Lodge, B'nai B'rith, previews a collection of watercolors, oils and sculptures at the Thornhill Community Centre on the 17th. Preview is at 7 with the auction at 8. Call 881-6175, or 225-3541 for ticket information.

TOPICAL TOPICS

After Iran—What? is the typically Jewish title for the New Fraternal Jewish Association's lecture presentation on the 20th. Harry Binder tackles the topic at 8:30, 120 Overbrook Pl.

There's still time to catch Rabbi Harvey Fields tonight, the 15th, at Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am. The Holy Blossom Temple spiritual leader talks about **The Journey of the Jew—Our Recovery of Treasures**, at 8:30.

FUN 'N FUNDS

A Purim ball is the occasion for fun and fundraising for the Anne Frank Foundation, Saturday night at 8:30. Proceeds at the affair at Beth Tikvah are directed to the Anne Frank Haven for underprivileged children on Kibbutz Sasa. Phone Tamara Weinreich at 783-8167, or Lucy Zajdfudem at 223-6444 for tickets.

The ladies' auxiliary of the Zaglembier Society will be running its annual card and bingo night, Monday at 7:30 at the Borochov Centre. Proceeds to Israel.

WITH THE SISTERHOODS

The ladies at Beth Torah mark spring with a fashion show Tuesday at 8. Original designer clothes and children's apparel will be viewed, with a free Florida trip door prize an extra enticement.

Beth Sholom sisterhood turns its thoughts to food before the holiday season. Food processor demonstrator Sharon Platt illustrates recipes for Passover along with other tantalizing dishes which will be offered as door prizes. Tickets for the March 19th event can be obtained by phoning the shul at 783-6103. The demonstration takes place at 7:30.

FOR SENIORS

Golda Meir is the sterling subject of a book talk for the North-East Jewish Seniors Club, to be held at the Hillcrest Library, Leslie and Finch Sts. The date is the 19th, the time 2 p.m.

Members of the Centre for Creative Living are organizing a Purim bash for Sunday at 7:30.

FOR SINGLES

Meanwhile, the younger disco dancers kick up their heels the following evening at 8, as the Jewish Singles International holds its dance at the Images Discotheque, Davenport at Avenue Road. Door prizes include a Bahamas trip for two.

The Singles Circle (ages 25-35) is having a wine and cheese party Thursday, the 22nd, at 7 at the Jewish Community Centre (the north 'Y').

FOR YIDDISHISTS

The Yiddish literature circle of the Joseph E. and Minnie Wagman Centre invites the community to a program on **The Ballads of Itzik Manger**, Sunday afternoon from 2 - 3:30. Participants are Leo Robin, Ann Glass, Chayele Luxenburg, Aaron Finer, and Fagel Gartner.

FOR HEBRAISTS

Matti Golan, director of the Israel Information Centre, speaks on the political climate in Israel in a Hebrew lecture at the Marlee Zionist Centre, on the 20th at 8:15.

Willow Downs Cable is offering two series of programs in Hebrew. On a weekly basis **Teaching Hebrew With Siman-Tov** will be aired on Channel 10, commencing the 19th at 6:30, with a repeat showing on the 22nd at 9 p.m. **Ahavat Israel**, with hostess Batya Eisen, featuring skits and interviews in Hebrew, can be viewed monthly beginning March 20th at 7:30.

Alienation between young and old

By BARB SILVERMAN

TORONTO —

There are many people in this community who are unable to see their Jewishness as an enhancing aspect of their lives. As a social worker with the Jewish Family and Child Service (JFCS), Elliott Larman helps alleviate this great problem.

Co-ordinator of the Jewish Family Life Education Program, he is responsible for the community outreach program of the agency to various organizations and institutions within the Jewish community.

He has been personally involved with groups of adolescents, counselling children of all ages. For almost six years until 1978, Larman was the supervisor of Child Protection and Court Services for the JFCS.

"I think there is an alienation between youth and their parents, and if the parents have certain kinds of identification, then I think to some degree kids are going to be alienated from that identification.

"We have two forces working for us. Despite beliefs to the contrary, most children grow up with a value system that's pretty much reflective of the value system their parents have. The process of alienation is a healthy one. That's the way people grow. They go through a process which one might call alienation. I try to make a distinction here between rebellion and alienation.

"I think rebellion is a normal, natural, healthy process that most people have gone through. Most Jews are characterized through rebellion. Everyone's rebelling against something, but alienation is where there's a real break, and when the break occurs, then there's a real denial of values and that's when you have a problem.

"I believe that one of the things happening in families is that people too often confuse rebellion with alienation. As soon as a kid becomes independent and starts to question authority, which is a way of saying 'I want to find out for myself if this is what I want to do,' then that's a rebellion. Parents say this is wrong and that we have to stop it.

"I think that's dangerous, because then what happens is that kids get driven further away. Instead, parents should say to a child, 'Try it out and then come back.'"

He says Jews have not found a sure fire way to guarantee Jewish survival. "Demographic statistics are bad; they talk about the fact that by the year 2050, if the present assimilation trends continue, there will be less than 100,000 Jews left in all of North America, which is scary.

"I don't myself believe this projection, but it exists. There are always curves and ups and downs. If it's true, that most children growing up really do incorporate in their own lives the value system of their parents, as I think they do, then parents have to be aware of what value system they are moving in. The problem often is that kids identify with the value system that their parents live in, not with the value system which their parents say they live.

"People have to hold a mirror up to themselves — a mirror that reflects accurately and one that their children can relate to. The one thing studies show is that the home is really the place to learn about Judaism and kids who have a good, solid sense of Judaism in their home are the ones who most often maintain a sense of Jewishness in their adult lives.

"Even if they rebel at one point, especially during their youth, they'll often come back."

College for women accepting applicants

TORONTO —

Canadian applicants are now being considered for a college program for women that combines advanced religious studies with professional training in Israel.

It is being offered by Orot College for Women, one of a network of 31 schools and colleges sponsored across Israel by Merkaz Yeshivot Bnei Akiva.

Until recently, most of their colleges for advanced studies were for men. But all that is now changing, according to Chaim Edelstein, executive director of Orot College, who recently visited Toronto.

In an interview, Edelstein said Orot College is the first one sponsored by Merkaz Yeshivot Bnei Akiva where graduates of ulpanot and other girls' high schools can continue their Jewish studies within the religious spirit of the Bnei Akiva movement, and at the same time follow an academic program.

The dean of Orot College is Rabbi Yehuda Felix, who founded the Or Chaim Yeshiva for boys and the Ulpanot Orot High School for Girls in Toronto. Last year, he initiated Orot College to prepare graduates ideologically and academically to help improve the quality of religious and social life in Israel.

Professional programs at Orot College include social work, teaching and special education.

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Edelstein said many religious girls who go to university are forced to abandon their religious studies; yet ironically, it is this very training they need most to help them counsel Jewish families.

"Often, religious families simply do not seek counselling because they feel that even a highly qualified social worker does not understand their specific problems and orientation.

"How would an average social worker counsel a religious couple with sexual difficulties who are committed to the Jewish family laws and their prohibitions? Or an Orthodox couple with many children who are totally incompatible but for whom divorce or separation is unthinkable? How do they deal with problems of infidelity, contraception, delinquency?"

Edelstein said confronting these situations and helping families deal with them within the context of Jewish law is vital to the improvement of the quality of social and religious life in Israel. And too few Jewish professionals are equipped to cope with these problems within a religious framework.

According to Edelstein, there are excellent job opportunities waiting for Orot College graduates in Israel; and those who opt to practise in Jewish communities elsewhere will be able to adapt their skills easily, since most of the college faculty are American-trained.

The college is now accepting a limited number of Canadian applicants for a special overseas students program. An applicant should be a graduate of Grade 12 or 13 of a Jewish day high school, with high academic standing; she should be dedicated to service in the Jewish community and to Israel; and she should want to continue Jewish studies at a high level.

Interested applicants should contact Orot College for Women at 159 Almore Avenue, Downsview, Ont. Tel.: 630-6772.

Photo show

By RHONDA ROVAN

Stephen Epstein, a graduating student at the Ontario College of Art, assembled an exhibit of his photography work that was designed to disappear before your very eyes.

In employing a rudimentary developing process that allows his poignant images a short lifespan of three to four days, Epstein aimed to jolt the viewer's conditioned response to photography.

Entitled **Fleeting Photographs**, the exhibit ran at Gallery Seventy Six, which was run by the Art College.

"Sometimes we cherish a photograph more than the subject it represents," says Epstein.

"I want people to think about that." So that the images fade slowly, he is using candle lighting in the gallery, and as the pictures fade, fresh prints will be put up.

Epstein's process for the exhibit involved enlarging negatives in a darkroom, then taking them into the sun and developing the images on photographer's "proof" papers without employing the usual chemical fixing methods. The resulting prints are awash in a mauve hue that impacts a nostalgic feeling to a subject, be it a figure in a window in an old skylighted Queen Street apartment, or a woman enveloped in a room of lace and brocade.

In capturing the startled gaze of an orthodox child, just after he has received his first haircut, Epstein reveals a style that is representative of the intensely intimate trend in photography of the last decade, established by Diane Arbus and her disciples (though he does not share what has now almost become a cliched attraction to freaks and outcasts).

Other prints indicate that Epstein is also partial to the current aesthetic that takes the focus off the face.

Epstein's work has been part of many group shows across Canada. Originally from Montreal, the 24-year-old photographer lived and studied in Israel, and eventually plans to make his living there. Although the images in the Gallery Seventy Six show are dissolving, they indicate a potentially fine talent. And it ought to be mentioned that permanent, quality prints of the images can be obtained.

...about people

Irving Howe

Irving Howe, celebrated author of **The World of Our Fathers**, is guest speaker this year at the University of Toronto's Joseph and Gertie Schwartz Memorial Lectures. Professor emeritus at City University of New York, Howe delivers a lecture on North American Jewry, Sunday the 18th, 8 p.m. in the Medical Science Building Auditorium at the U of T. The following afternoon, at 4, he addresses a seminar on the history of Yiddish at University College's Croft Chapter House.

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North York's first women's public library, housed at the north 'Y', will formally be opened this afternoon by **Barbara Greene**, the city's deputy mayor and controller. Organized by the Women's Resource Centre, the new lending library carries approximately 600 titles, both fiction and non-fiction. Co-ordinator is **Chucky Herzog**. To check the library's hours of operation phone 636-1880.

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More women in the news—**Greta Miller** is new president of B'nai B'rith Women's Council of Toronto, the service organization representing 19 chapters and 2,000 members. Her vice-presidents will be **Rose Lichtman**, **Jackie Bean** and **Barbie Skolnik**.

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The remains of **Moses David**, the first Jewish settler in Windsor, Ontario, have been removed from a downtown site and reburied in the cemetery of that city's Shaar Hashomayim Synagogue. Rabbi **Jonathan Plaut** of Temple Beth El, who discovered the existence of the 164-year-old grave while gathering information for a book on the history of Windsor's Jews, recited the prayers at the reburial. Moses David, a fur traderwho moved west from Quebec, was the son-in-law of Aaron Hart, the first Jew to settle in Canada. At the time of his death in 1816, there were no other Jews in the Windsor area. Rather than bury him in a nearby Anglican cemetery, the family chose to bury him in their backyard.

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Toronto dentist Dr. **Gordon Perlmutter** was installed as international secretary of Alpha Omega Dental Fraternity at its 71st annual convention in Orlando, Fla. recently. Last year he served as chairman of the board of trustees for the 16,000-member organization. Currently, Dr. Perlmutter is president of the Toronto Academy of Dentistry.

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The 5,000 elderly Jews of Poland, the last vestiges of a once powerful community, may have a new lease on life. A Brooklyn rabbi, **Aszor Zibes**, a former native, is returning to his homeland, the first clergyman in years to minister to the aging flock. Meanwhile, a three-man Polish delegation headed by the director of the Warsaw Yiddish Theatre, **Szymon Szurmej**, was allowed to leave the country to attend a conference of Polish Jews in Israel.

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Myths about Mexico dispelled by academic's new book

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO —

Foreigners who have watched too many Hollywood films have variously described Mexicans as slothful, recklessly cheerful and entirely lacking in culture and dignity.

Mexico, considering its vastness and its growing economic importance, is probably one of the world's most misunderstood and maligned nations. And, as Judith Adler Hellman is quick to point out, the Latin American behemoth produces cliches in the same abundance as it does oil.

An associate professor at York University's social science division, Mrs. Hellman has just written a book—**Mexico in Crisis** (Holmes & Meier, N.Y.)—which seeks to dispel the myths and the preconceptions shrouding this huge country of 63 million persons in an intellectual haze.

While it's too early to tell whether **Mexico in Crisis** will become a standard text, it is all but certain that the people who read it will think twice before mouthing hackneyed phrases about this Latin American giant.

"The general public fails to appreciate the richness and the variation of Mexican culture," said the 33-year-old native of New York City, who has just started work on her second book, a study of peasant movements in northern Mexico. "They have a tendency to see all Mexicans as northern cowboys and as rural persons. The fact is, well over half of Mexicans live in cities. There's intense Mexican pride, spanning all social classes, in their Indian, Aztec and Spanish past.

"Academics frequently fail to appreciate the extent to which Mexican peasants and workers are conscious of the deprivation they suffer, and the attempts they make to force change on their society."

Poor press coverage of Mexico exacerbates the situation, Mrs. Hellman said.

Mexico in Crisis, she explained, is a revisionist work in that it goes against the grain. The popular North American academic notion about Mexico's political system, propagated by an American, Robert Scott, was that Mexico has a one-party government that worked, represented the interests of all classes, promoted development and maintained a stable social climate without violence.

Her study, in common with other revisionist works, explodes this rosy-eyed view and puts Mexico into its proper historical perspective. Although she is a Marxist, Mrs. Hellman said **Mexico in Crisis** is not written in Marxian terminology.

Among the questions she tried to answer in her book were: was the 1917 revolution really a genuine revolution? Why is there such an economic disparity in Mexican society? And if Mexico is so stable, what accounted for the various political disturbances that have shaken the country in the last 11 years?

Mrs. Hellman's thesis is that Mexico has developed rapidly at the expense of the workers, and the peasants, who comprise the overwhelming bulk of the population. "The revolution betrayed the legitimate expectations of the people who fought and gave their lives for it," she said.

The leaders of the revolution came to represent the interests of the middle class, who emphasized industrialization in partnership with American and British capital. It was assumed that the benefits of the revolution would eventually trickle down to the masses, she said in an interview.

The elite wanted to broaden the political base, but Mexico developed into a one-party system which masquerades as a democracy, Mrs. Hellman noted.

As for land reform, it failed, the University of London graduate observed. A substantial number of peasants were given small plots of land, yet land distribution did not keep pace with population growth. Furthermore, the land they had was usually poor, and the state did not provide the necessary credits, fertilizer, machinery and technical assistance—prerequisites in successful agriculture.

On top of that, the best land is still held by powerful landlords, in violation of all agrarian legislation and the 1917 constitution, said Mrs. Hellman, who spent a total of eight years on her book.

Her interest in Mexico—and indeed in Latin America—was triggered by a high-school Spanish course, and by a Cornell University professor. She went to Mexico for the first time in 1967, and since then she has lived there, on an off, for about two years.

Mrs. Hellman, who is married to a York University political science professor, encountered some difficulties in gathering her material.

Judith Adler Hellman

The cult of machismo meant that many participants in the revolution—peasants and workers excluded—refused to take her seriously as a scholar. Another problem was that quite a few Mexicans distrust North American scholars, viewing them as potential CIA agents. A third impediment was internal; she felt presumptuous in trying to understand a whole political system.

Perhaps the most serious problem, she related, was that key documents in Mexican archives were missing. "Frequently, politicians fear they'll be compromised by certain documents. They bribe librarians to get rid of them. It's not hard to find such librarians, given such a corrupt system."

Mrs. Hellman quickly added that these purloined documents sometimes turn up in American collections, since American buyers are not above buying stolen archives.

She said Mexico's ties with Israel are bound to improve now that Mexico is no longer dependent on Arab oil. Anti-Zionism, she related, is not rooted in Mexican society. "You'll hear a more pro-Jewish line on Israel in the future," she said.

Israeli irrigation engineers she met in Mexico probably have had a positive effect as well, she added. "They left a very favorable impression," she said of the engineers sent to Mexico by the Israeli government. Their contribution to Mexican agriculture was worth much in terms of public relations. It even forced some Mexicans with somewhat negative views of Jews to revise their opinions, she explained.

As for Mexico's 35,000 Jews, Mrs. Hellman said the community is sharply split into extremely observant and non-observant, with the former comprising the bulk of the community's strength. The traditional Jews, she went on, live in considerable isolation from the mainstream of Mexican society, while the Jews on the other extreme identify only slightly with the Jewish community.

Morris Blajchman wins medicine award

By MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON —

The 1979 Medal in Medicine of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada has been awarded to Dr. Morris A. Blajchman of McMaster University. The medal, as well as a cash award of $500, was presented to him last month in Montreal at the Royal College's annual general meeting.

The award is for a paper entitled "Shortening of the Bleeding Time in Thrombocytopenic Rabbits by Hydrocortisone," the culmination of four years of research into why steroids reduce bleeding time in patients with a low blood platelet count.

A hematologist and associate professor with "cross appointments in pathology and medicine," Dr. Blajchman explained that although patients with low platelet counts and bleeding problems had for years been treated successfully with corticosteroid drugs such as hydrocortisone, "nobody had ever studied this. It was one of those things that some people felt worked and others felt it didn't, so it was an area that needed some tying together."

Pleased and gratified as he is about the award, Dr. Blajchman modestly protests that "it's not an earthshattering discovery about to revolutionize treatment" but that instead, "for the first time, there exists some scientific basis for prescribing or using this drug for this particular patient."

While his research so far has shown "that these steroids inhibit a substance called prostacyclin ...what we are looking at now is an outgrowth of that," he continues. "It has been observed that people on steroids for a long time develop clots — in their legs, arteries — and what we're trying to show is if that's a factor in the development of clots."

Born in Montreal to parents who immigrated from Poland in the 1930s, Blajchman's training is basically in immunohematology, "which has to do with blood-banking, transfusions, crossmatches, blood products and it is in that context that I came to Hamilton."

Following studies at McGill University medical school, he trained in internal medicine at the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia and then spent two years at the Hammersmith Hospital in London.

While there he was recruited for the new McMaster medical faculty and he and his wife Janet, a former nurse from Moncton, New Brunswick, and their two London-born children, Aviva, nine and eight-year-old Joel, came here about seven years ago.

Now 39, Dr. Blajchman does "all the things that academics do." He sees patients, has clinics, helps run a laboratory, does research, teaches and is also medical director of the Hamilton Red Cross Centre. "It's the way I want to be involved," he observes happily.

It's an involvement that carries over into the Jewish community where, he remarks, "if you show any interest, you become involved." Jewish academics, he notes, "tend not to participate in Jewish community activities" and somewhat apologetically he allows that there might have been a time when "I wouldn't have seen myself involved."

But brought up in a traditional home, with a wife from a similar background and both always "interested in Jewish things," it wasn't hard to show that necessary interest. With both children attending the Hamilton Hebrew Academy, he is acting chairman of the academy's board of education, a member of the Jewish Federation board and of the Orthodox Adas Israel congregation.

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It'll be camp time soon. Camps in Ontario are preparing for the onslaught.

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By FREDA MUSCOVITCH

TORONTO —

If you ask the fathers of today's children whether they went to summer camps, they'll most likely smile and say that their parents drove them to Bathurst and Wilson for "fresh country air."

Times have changed. Today's kids spend the summer in organized summer day camps or resident camps, either non-profit or profit making businesses.

Camps are a big business and becoming a large industry! According to a study of 212 Canadian camps, conducted by the Canadian Camping Association, 152 of which were in Ontario, 97,934 kids were at camp last summer for a total of 179,918 weeks. Four million dollars was spent on food alone, and $18,500,000 on total cost of operation. This is by no means the entire camping scene in Canada.

Camp costs vary dramatically between private, profit making camps and community supported, non-profit camps. Private day camp prices are up to $800 for eight weeks at Forest Valley, a sharp contrast to $260 for eight weeks at Lubavitch Day Camp, or $540 for nine weeks at the Jewish Community Centre, north branch, Camp Fundale, which provides transportation from central depots only.

Similarly, private resident camp prices are up to $1,375 for eight weeks at Timberlane, Haliburton, or $1,350 for seven weeks at Manitou-Wabing Sports and Arts Centre, Parry Sound, a sharp contrast to $610 for six weeks at the Jewish Camp council brother and sister camps B'nai B'rith and Northland, also at Parry Sound; or $700 for six weeks at Gesher, on Lake O'lakes, a Dror-Habonim camp, supported by the Jewish Agency, employing Israeli schlichim (educators).

While most brochures publicize discounts for families with more than one child, as well as early registration, the only camps that publicize a subsidy program—"come talk to us about it in confidence"—are Camps Northland and B'nai B'rith and Lubavitch Day Camp, and JCC.

Camp operation styles have certainly become accommodating, diversified, if not extravagant. Many camps provide door-to-door transportation (Junior Summer Day Camp, Associated Hebrew Schools); three-course lunches of southern fried chicken, or fish and chips (Forest Valley Day Camp); recreation halls with a sound stage, cabins with washrooms and cots on spring-filled mattresses (New Moon resident camp); activities from miniature golf (Eitan Day Camp, Eitz Chaim Schools) to synagogue skills (Ramah, Resident Camp) and "horse adoption" programs (White Pine, Resident Camp).

Just as camps are growing in cost, and style, they are also expanding the numbers of campers they can accommodate in a season. Private camps like Forest Valley, Robin Hood, Bayview Glen, can accommodate 650 campers, and camps B'nai B'rith and Northland 900.

Most kids love camp. However, some rebel against structured daily programs saying "It sure doesn't seem like a holiday to me." Camp Summer Fun, JCC, north branch, avoids that danger by offering a three-day weekly program for the child who wishes to attend camp as well as pursue other activities.

Seasoned camp directors avoid over-programming kids. "During the school year most children are involved in many structured activities such as hockey, ballet, music, and so forth. I therefore feel very strongly that the summer should be happy, free, relaxed" said Frank Liebman, owner-director of Aqua Camp Ltd., a day camp which features a 1.4 acre concrete oval swimming pool, in Petticoat Creek Conservation Park.

Reliable camps stress the "process and fun rather than the end product" (Hillcrest Progressive Day Camp, situated in a quiet, tree-lined valley, catering to pre-schoolers). Likewise, Larry Bell, of Robin Hood Day Camp (located in the midst of Ontario's farmland, woods, and fields in Markham Township, offering campcraft, nature lore, hiking and so forth explains that the goal of swimming instruction at his camp is not awards: "There is no pressure of a final examination — we use a progressive technique of evaluation."

Just as it would be erroneous to assume that all children's camps are relaxed, it is wrong to assume that all are set in idyllic spots, cultivating an appreciation of the environment and encouraging activities harmonious with nature like campcraft, orienteering, canoeing, backpacking, tripping, hiking, wilderness first aid and recognizing edible wild plants.

Some camps, for accuracy's sake, should be called "city explorations", babysitting services, exclusive clubs, or even "ritzy resorts". Camps have the potential of being much more than babysitting services. They can build body and mind, foster independence, cooperation, responsibility and flexibility away from the family's pressures.

Camps can teach skills like ceramics as well as transmit Jewish values, and Israeli culture, as Northland and B'nai B'rith do.

Camp Shalom attracts campers by the "ruach", or spirit, of a Jewish and Israeli experience. Other camps cater to special needs or ideologies: Camp Reena and Kohai for the mentally handicapped; Moshava of Bnei Akiva, Mizrachi-Hapoel, for religious zionist orientation; Ner Meir, Jewish Education Programs for immigrant children.

Specialized camps allowing children to devote their summer to a chosen interest are abundant. Some examples are: Arts Village, Racquet Camp, and Tumblers Gym Camp all at the JCC, north branch. Others are: Aqua Camp (two instructional and two recreational swims, up to four hours a day, in a lake-sized pool with a gradual slope and a shallow perimeter); Camp Aguda Resident Camp (Chumash and Talmud learning periods in the "Torah true atmosphere" with counsellors from yeshivot and seminaries); Camp Ramah Resident Camp (Hebrew immersion making it the spoken tongue throughout the camp).

What are guidelines that parents can judge camps by? Camps that belong to the Ontario Camping Association abide by standards and desirable camping practices mandatory for accreditation by the Council. Many camps mentioned here are accredited, but inspected every four years only (for information, 486-8630).

These standards relate to health and sanitation, camp site facilities and equipment, leadership and personnel, safety, administration, and transportation.

What about the program? It is up to parents to choose a suitable program by talking to campers, visiting the camp, calling the camp directors, and asking lots of questions.

Many camps are filled for July, but August is still available.

Associated Hebrew Schools conducting summer camp at Finch Educational Centre

TORONTO —

Associated Hebrew Day Schools will be conducting its junior day camp this summer at the Finch Educational Centre, 252 Finch Ave. W. for children between the ages of three and 6½ years old.

Campers attend for half-days, receiving a full program, including: swimming, indoor and outdoor activities.

The camp's new director is Steve Katz, a teacher at Associated who has been actively involved in camping for many years both in Quebec and Toronto.

For more information on the camp dates, program and registration, please call (416) 789-7192.

Kosher camps

TORONTO —

Among the camps described in Freda Muscovitch's article, the following advertize themselves as being kosher: Camp B'nai B'rith—the one under the Jewish Camp Council—and Camp Northland; Camp Ramah; Eitz Chaim Camps; Lubavitch Camp; Camp Agudah; Camp Moshava; and Associated Hebrew Schools' camps, whenever meals are served. (Campers may bring along dairy lunches only, at Associated's junior camps.)

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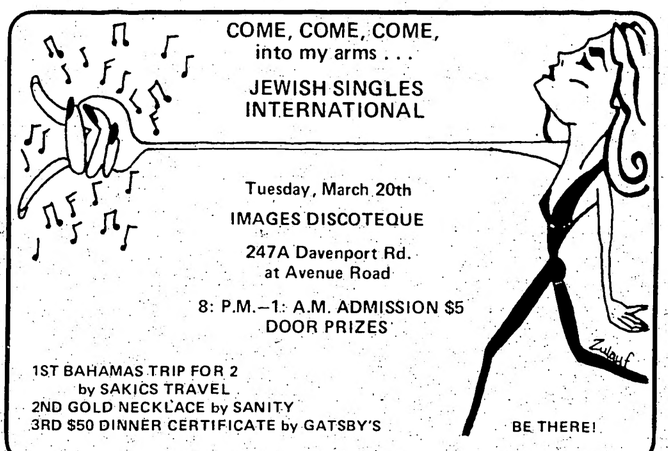

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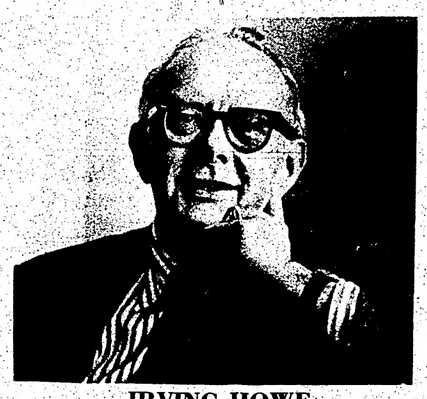

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Organizations and People

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sparks from the torah

By RABBI MEIR GOTTESMAN

Parshat Ki Teesa/ Parshat Parah

V'shamru Bnai Yisrael et Hashabbat...And the Children of Israel shall keep the Sabbath...

We can buy a lot of things — but you can't pay your way into Heaven.

The saintly "Minchas Anee," served as rabbi in the Hungarian town of Miklash, where most of the Jews were totally unobservant.

When a friend of the rabbi saw the people of the city, he was astonished. "I don't understand," he asked the rabbi, "why should such unreligious people take such a pious man like you for rabbi?"

The Minchas Anee answered: "I'll tell you. In the Torah it says, "**Kee teesah et rosh bnai Yisrael** ...When you lift up a head, a leader, for the Jewish people...**Vnasnu ish kofer nafsho** — then everyone will make him a kaparah, an atonement, for his soul...

"What does it mean? When a community hires a rabbi, they want him to be their **kaparah.** They can break Shabbos, they can forget to daven, they can do whatever they want — but as long as they have a rabbi, he's their sacrificial lamb.

"Now in a city like Miklash, where the people are so far away from Judaism, it's obvious they need a really observant person for atonement, so they chose me..."

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Oy, azoi gait dus! Times don't change. We still look for the rabbi to open the door to heaven. As long as we give a few dollars charity, and pay membership in a shul, we figure — the rabbi will get us to Heaven.

But it doesn't work like that. There's no kaporah. There's no substitute. Every Jew has to make his own little estate in the next world.

And rabbis must show the way. They must tell their congregations not what they want to hear, but what they have to hear!

Consider...this Shabbat is called Parshat Parah, when we read a very weird law. What was it? They had to take a red cow, slaughter and burn it, and then the ashes were used for purification. Strange! If a person was impure and the ashes were sprayed on him, he became pure and holy. But if a person was pure beforehand and then touched the ashes, he became impure!

What's the saychel? Where's the sense?

Ah, but it's a symbol. The ashes are a rabbi's sermon. He has to make the impure pure, and the pure impure. How? When he speaks, he has to encourage those who think they are far away from Judaism that there's still hope. Even if a Jew has wandered far away from Yiddishkeit, as long as he wants, he can still crawl back up. G-d is always near.

And he has to make the pure impure. He has to show that all those who think that they are It — they are sufficiently learned, sufficiently religious and observant, that they haven't even begun.

No Jew is high or low — we are all children who must turn our eyes to the Almighty, and reach up.

How could the ashes of the red cow make an impure person pure again? But they teach...if you think you're a bigshot, a somebody, a holy person who can sneer at your next door neighbor, then you are nothing. Make yourself like dust and ashes! Be humble! Be loving and kind to every other human being, then there's still hope.

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When you're conceited, you're lost.

A pious humbug rolled naked in the snow, refused to speak to anyone, ate seeds and grass for self-mortification — all so that he could see a vision of Elijah.

He worked on himself for 40 days, and still nothing happened. Disappointed, he went to a tzadik for an explanation.

The tzadik took him out to his barn, patting his horse on the side, he remarked: "You see my horse here — he rolls in the snow, he doesn't speak to anyone, he eats grass and hay, but...he's still a horse. You have to improve the inside first.

May we all be pure in G-d's eyes. Shabbat Shalom.

Canadian delegates to World Assembly of Jewish Veterans visited Israel's Bar-Ilan University recently.

Canadian Jewish War Veterans visit the Bar-Ilan University

TORONTO — Canadian delegates to the World Assembly of Jewish War Veterans were the personal guests of Professor Emanuel Rackman, president of Bar-Ilan University, when they visited the campus in Ramat Gan. The delegation was led by Alec Caspi, liaison international officer of the Jewish War Veterans of Canada and director of the Toronto chapter of the Canadian Friends of Bar-Ilan, and Sid Frumkin, member of the national executive of the Jewish War Veterans of Canada.

The delegation included Lou Bendt, president of the Toronto Wingate Branch of the Canadian Legion, and Henryk Rolirad, who was honored by Yad Vashem as a Righteous Gentile for his help to the Warsaw Ghetto fighters.

Previously, Lt.-Col. Benjamin Dunkelman, national Commander of the Jewish War Veterans and member of the Toronto chapter board of directors of the Canadian Friends of Bar-Ilan; Lou Laurie, adjudant of the Jewish War Veterans, and Leo Perkell, member of the Toronto chapter board of directors of the Bar-Ilan Friends, visited the university. They met with Prof. Rackman and toured the campus.

At the special luncheon in honor of the veterans, Prof. Rackman emphasized the close ties of Toronto with Bar-Ilan. He mentioned several projects — the Gasner Building for the School of Social Work, the Nathan O. Hurwich Chair in Community Services, and the project for the Institute of Holocaust Studies being spearheaded by Arnold Finkler and his wife — of the Toronto Friends.

Among the speakers were Prof. Ben Lappin, formerly of Toronto; Prof. Moshe Gitterman, the well-known Russian physicist now at Bar-Ilan, Sid Frumkin and Lou Bendt.

Arab lie-telling damages Israel

NEW YORK (ZINS) — "Not surprisingly, there is confusion in the public mind as charges of torture inflicted by Israel on Arabs arrested for security offenses, are aired in the press, to be countered by absolute denials by Israel of any such practices," writes Rael Jean Isaac in The New York Times.

The writer noted that "the root of the difficulty may well lie in a Western cultural misunderstanding." He quotes the medieval Moslem theologian al-Ghazali: "Know that a lie is not wrong in itself, but only because of the evil conclusions to which it leads the hearer, making him believe something that is not really the case. . . . It's sometimes a duty to lie . . . if lying and truth both lead to a good result, you must tell the truth, for a lie is forbidden in this case.

If a lie is the only way to reach a good result, it is allowable. A lie is lawful when it is the only path of duty. . . ." (**The Arab Mind** by John Laffin). Arabs who report torture —writes Rael Jean Isaac —are telling lies that lead to a good result, for they damage Israel.

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Honorary citizen of Tel Aviv?

TEL AVIV (ZINS) — A proposal to grant Nahum Goldmann the title of honorary citizen of Tel Aviv became a political issue. Herut and some Liberals are opposing the proposal, which is supported by Mayor Lahat.

The whole Israeli press reported on the controversy. Yediot Ahronot's editor, Herzl Rosenblum, usually a bitter critic of Goldmann, advises Herut to drop its opposition, citing Goldmann's Zionist merits. Besides, Goldmann's views, Rosenblum adds, are now "not so far from those of Begin."

Already Davar editor, Hanna Zemer, attacked the "narrowness of mind" of those who oppose the idea of bestowing the proposed honor to Goldmann. Her article prompted Finance Minister Simcha Erlich, to clarify that he is not among the opponents.

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Izy Stern, second from left, displays treasury gift cheque presented to him on behalf of UJA Societies Division, by members of Adath Shalom. With him are Norman Kelman, William Saltzman and Morey Eckler.

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PRE-PASSOVER KALLA '79
"Understanding Conservative Judaism"

Thurs., March 22 & 29, 8:15 p.m.

MAR. 22 BETH EMETH BAIS YEHUDA Synagogue, 100 Elder St.
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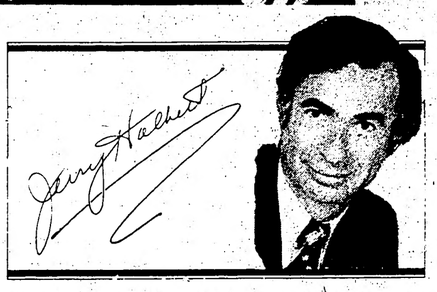

Now that we have celebrated Purim we can be certain that Passover is just around the corner and that means it's time to wind up the campaign.

We can do it — and we can do it successfully — if all canvassers pitch in and cover prospects who have not yet pledged. Most members of the community who have been away for the winter should be home by now and this is the time to canvass them.

One of the major efforts to complete coverage will be a mammoth telephone blitz scheduled for two Sunday mornings: April 1 and April 8. The place: 150 Beverley St., commencing with **breakfast at 9:30 a.m.** (Daily telethons will be held all during the week of April 1).

Extra phones have been installed and I can promise there will be a phone available and a lot of good cards for each person participating.

So I urge all campaigners to turn out en masse...and LET'S FINISH THE JOB!

Sunday, April 1 can be a very special day for campaigners. My suggestion is that you come out for the blitz and then continue on to Temple Sinai for the annual meeting of Toronto Jewish Congress. An interesting — and worthwhile — way to spend the day!

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Members of the UJA cabinet gave a big hand to U of T students last week when it was announced that the campaign on the campus has passed the $20,000 mark — the highest amount raised on any campus in North America.

Julea Resnick, the chairman, tells me more than 700 cards have been completed and the campaign is still going strong. She's shooting for at least $25,000. She reports that **Liz Wolfe** has organized a campaign for Jewish law students and eight canvassers are hard at work getting pledges.

The campaign is going great also at York. **Barry Swartz,** chairman of the Vegas night, reports $1,700 was raised for UJA from the 600 students who attended.

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A reminder — **Dr. Stuart Smith,** leader of the Opposition in the Ontario Legislature, will be the featured speaker at a UJA campaign meeting on Thursday, March 15 (today) at the Inn on the Park, in the Trillium Room. A canvassing blitz will follow the meeting. Please come for breakfast, bring completed cards and be ready for a day for UJA.

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Tom Kirschner, immediate past chairman of the Young Execs, reports 90% of the prospects in this group have already been covered and the total raised so far is running 50% ahead of last year's grand total. Terrific!

The Young Execs, in addition to completing their own campaign, are now busily engaged in helping cover other groups. They plan an active role in the upcoming blitz days.

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Last month I announced the formation of the $250,000 club. I'm raising the ante and am pleased to announce the following are now in the HALF MILLION DOLLARS club: **Tubby Cole, Allan Offman, Lionel Schipper** and myself.

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Some more statistics.

The following have completed 10 or more cards in the Major Gifts division—and in this division, that's a very good showing: **Stephen Berger, Jack Chisvin, Tubby Cole, Bill Dunn, Gerry Goldenberg, Harry Gorman, Al Green, Joel Greisman, Nat Hurwich, Hy Isenbaum, Lew Moses, Allan Offman, Wilfred Posluns** and yours truly.

Although I have mentioned that coverage of 10 cards is a very good effort in Major Gifts, I should point out that a couple of canvassers have completed more than FORTY cards.

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Just a reminder that **Dr. Meron Medzini,** formerly director of the Israel government press office in Jerusalem, will speak for the UJA at Temple Sinai on Friday evening, March 16, following the shabbat service. On Sunday morning, March 18, he will address a breakfast meeting of Synagogue division canvassers at Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue, 100 Elder St.

On Monday evening, March 19, he will speak to the Young Executives at a meeting to be held at Baycrest Terrace.

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Until next week...

Rug merchant says...

Persian carpets soar in value

(Ben Lechtman photo)

Rug dealer [and former tank driver], Mike Nissani shows off his wares. Beside him is his wife, Dori.

By MURRAY MALKIN

TORONTO —

The bloodshed and political turmoil in Iran is having an effect on the entire world. People walk the streets of Iran in fear, growth is at a standstill. Business has slowed down, the world-wide rug trade is depressed.

"Nobody knows what's going to happen to the carpet business now," says Mike Nissani, the owner of Persian House here. "I haven't been able to get a rug out of Iran for 10 months."

Visitors who venture into the Persian House showroom in downtown Toronto are immediately captivated by the royal blues, golden yellows and raspberry reds of the Middle East.

It's like walking through a fine art gallery, viewing the more than $250,000 worth of Persian carpets displayed on the floor and rolled up in bundles on the side.

Nissani, a Persian Jew whose family has been in the rug business for four generations, owns the Persian House. The 41-year-old Nissani, who lived in Israel for 15 years before coming to Canada, says that genuine Persian rugs have been known for their beauty and fine quality for centuries. Nissani guarantees all his Persian rugs. He claims there are dealers who try to pass off rugs made in India or Pakistan as Persian rugs. "These are phonies," he emphasizes repeatedly. "They are Oriental rugs, but not Persian.

"You can use margarine and you can use butter, but they are not the same," he says by way of analogy. "Each village and city in Iran makes Persian rugs, each one containing the name of the town where they are woven.

"Tehran, Isfahan, Qom, Nain, Kashan are some of those carpet centres. And in each city or village, there are 10 to 30 different qualities and they have their own design.

"Some are very delicate, woven from silk. Some are tribal from the south. There are three kinds of weave — pile, kelim and tapestry.

"For the last 40 years, Persians have moved to India and Romania and they've taught the natives how to make rugs because the labor costs in these countries are much cheaper," he says. "They are making Persian-style rugs in Balkan countries and they use Persian names."

These imitations make Nissani, a rugged one-time tank driver in the Israeli army, extremely angry. "The people who sell these rugs say they are Persian rugs, but they don't give a guarantee."

He says the Persian rugs are the original. "They use secret weaves and colors. The others are of much poorer quality. They are okay for decoration, but for investment, Persian carpets are the only thing to buy."

The carpets made in Nissani's native country are so durable, so strong and of such high quality that after they are completed, the carpet makers place the rugs on the highway for trucks to drive on them. The rugs have been placed in the market for years, out in the open, letting the camels and the shoppers walk on them. "It adds to the lustre," Nissani says.

Nissani explained that top quality Persian rugs are less expensive in Toronto than in the markets of Iran. A rug priced at $2,000 in Teheran can be purchased for about $1,000 from Nissani. "There are many Jews in Iran who have been in the rug business for many generations," he says.

"When they saw what was happening in that country, the smartest ones took their money and bought rugs and put them in warehouses throughout Europe and the United States."

Nissani says many of those people with "millions of rugs in warehouses" are his relatives. "They bought the rugs for cheaper than wholesale prices, years ago, because they purchased so many rugs.

"Now, if I want rugs, I contact a relative. The prices have been going up 30 to 40% a year, so they are an excellent investment."

Nissani's wife Dori, who works in the business with him, says that all she and her husband do to clean a rug is use a broom or a damp cloth to wipe off the dust.

"You don't need to wash the rugs any more than once every 10 years," Mrs. Nissani adds. "They need to be handwashed, if they're put into a machine the rugs can be damaged. Small pieces just shake outside.

"The best way to clean rugs is to put them upside down on the snow and pat them," she says.

Nissani, who claims that "from a mile away I can tell a rug, its age and its quality," sells most of his rugs at monthly auctions held in Toronto. He has had requests from major cities throughout North America to hold auctions in their towns, but as he is short-staffed, he cannot comply.

'Autonomy plan will fail if Jordan doesn't join talks'

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO —

The Israeli government's autonomy scheme for the Palestinians, announced last December, has little or no chance of being implemented as long as Jordan remains outside the framework of Middle East peace negotiations, an Israeli scholar told a Beth Tzedec forum last week.

Amon Cohen, a visiting Hebrew University history professor currently on a year's sabbatical at York University, cautioned that autonomy would likely be unworkable as well if an Israeli-Egyptian treaty is too closely linked with the Palestinian question.

Cohen, an expert on the West Bank, warned that the chances of promulgating autonomy were presently "scanty" because King Hussein and a body of West Bank Palestinians oppose the plan.

But if the monarch can be persuaded to alter his view, autonomy could be instituted.

He said it would be "relatively easy" for the United States, Jordan's main patron, to convince King Hussein "to join the club." He cited the $100 million in annual U.S. aid to Jordan as an example of how Washington can pressure Amman into changing its position.

If Washington declines to exert pressure on Jordan, U.S. officials can hardly expect progress on the Palestinian issue, Cohen observed.

Should autonomy be achieved, he added, Jews won't rule over Arabs, and vice-versa. "We'll be able to live side by side."

Cohen said U.S. Assistant Secretary of State Harold Saunders, on his visit to the region last autumn, had encouraged Jordan to harden its stance on joining Israel and Egypt in peace talks. The Baghdad conference also contributed to this situation.

The result is that King Hussein now favors a Geneva Conference approach to peace negotiations, he related.

Cohen, a Sabra, said Prime Minister Begin's autonomy scheme — which has been almost uniformly denounced by Palestinians — was not an Israeli attempt to lord it over the Arabs in the occupied areas, but a plan which would make it possible for Arabs and Jews to live in harmony and equality.

It would give the Palestinians greater self-rule than they have been accustomed to in the last 30 or so years, without relinquishing Israel's quest for security, Cohen pointed out.

If autonomy comes into being, Israel would dismantle its military governorship and redeploy its forces in strategic regions of the West Bank, he elaborated.

Cohen ruled out the possibility of Israel negotiating with the PLO, which claims to represent all Palestinians. The PLO has repeatedly reaffirmed its national covenant, which he compared to Hitler's **Mein Kampf.**

He contrasted Likud's and Labor's attitude toward sovereignty on the West Bank by saying that the former has left the question open, while the latter was prepared to regard Jordan as the legitimate ruler after a settlement.

A previous speaker, Israeli Consul General David Ariel, said Egypt "has reached the point where it must make peace with us." He said Islam was a much stronger force than leftist movements which threaten conservative regimes in the Middle East.

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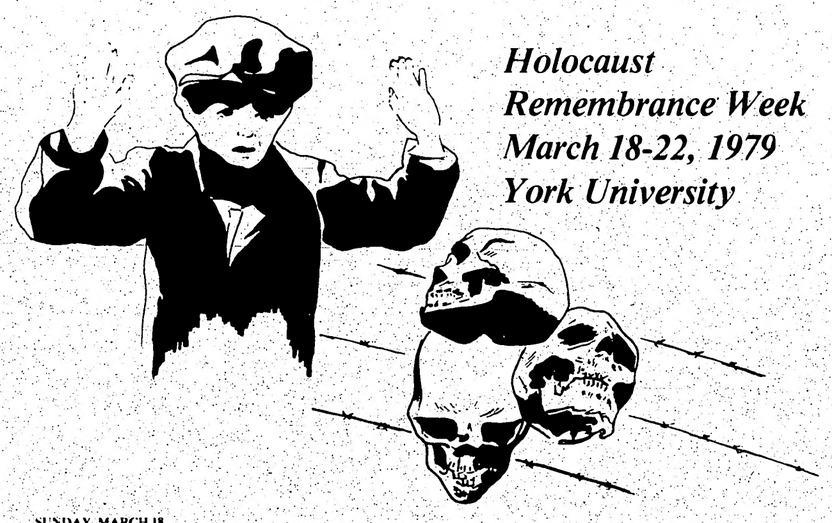

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SUNDAY, MARCH 18
12:30 A Man on Trial—The Holocaust and Human Behaviour. A 4 1/2 hour group study led by Professor M. Brown, Department of Humanities, York University in S869, Ross Building. Limited Enrolment.
7:00 The Doors are Closed—Canada's Immigration Policy 1933-1945. Dr. Harold Troper of O.I.S.E. Curtis Lecture Hall I.
8:00 Movie: *Voyage of the Damned*. Jewish refugees sailing on the St. Louis refused entrance to Cuba. Curtis Lecture Hall I.

MONDAY, MARCH 19
12:00 Movie: *The Holocaust* (28 min.) Presents Historical background, rise of Nazism and different types of Resistance. S105 Ross.
12:30 Movie: *The Warsaw Ghetto*. Dramatization of the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising. S105 Ross.
1:00 Keynote Address: The Holocaust in Perspective by Dr. Israel Knox, noted author, lecturer and scholar. Presently Director of Doctoral Program in Jewish Teachers Seminary. S105 S105, Ross.
7:00 Jewish Resistance during the Holocaust. Lecture by Yuri Suhl, author of *They Fought Back*. In addition to writing, teaching, and lecturing, Mr. Suhl is a bilingual author. Curtis Lecture Hall I.
8:30 Movie: *Seven Beauties*. Life in facist regime Italy during World War II. Curtis Lecture Hall I.

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11:30 Movie: *Genocide*. Presents Historical data on the mass murder of the Jewish People during World War II. S105 Ross.
12:00 Institute of Holocaust Studies-Bar Ilan University Representative, Mrs. L. Finkler. S101 Ross
1:00 Movie: *Night and Fog* (31 min.) One of the most powerful films on the world of the concentration camps. S105 Ross.
7:00 Prosecution of War Criminals: Forum on the Statute of Limitations with Judge Herbert Levy, Commander of Jewish War Veterans. Curtis Lecture Hall I.
8:00 Movie: *California Reich*. Presents a dramatic view of the strength of the uprising Neo-Nazism. Curtis Lecture Hall I.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21
12:00 Movie: *Memorandum* (58 min.) A film memorial to the victims of Nazi oppression on the 20th anniversary of Jewish War Veterns. Curtis Lecture Hall I.
01:00 Guest Speaker: Genia Silkes, Illegal School under Nazis and the Story of the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising. Bearpit, Central Square.
4:00 Memorial Service for the Victims of the Holocaust. Scott Religious Centre.
08:30 One Generation after Children of the Survivors. An open workshop and discussion with Dr. H. Fenigstein. S869 Ross.

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SHE PROBES PEOPLE AND ISSUES

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO — TV personality Naomi Loeb drifts in and out of people's lives, illuminating their personalities, spotlighting their likes and dislikes and brightening the issues surrounding them.

One week, she probes the career of a surgeon doing heart transplants; the following week, she profiles an anglophone family moving out of Quebec.

This week, she will highlight an issue that is of much concern to Jews.

Ms. Loeb and her partner, Henry Kowalski, will present a feature on the controversial West German Statute of Limitations regarding war criminals who committed atrocities between 1939-1945.

Though their program reveals nothing new, it will document two cases of alleged war criminals in Canada.

To an outsider, Naomi Loeb's life as a CBC TV and Ontario TV interviewer and hostess may seem glamorous. Here today, gone tomorrow on yet another assignment.

Ms. Loeb, who co-hosts the **Kowalski-Loeb Report** and hosts TV Ontario's **Role Call**, hardly leads what one might call a humdrum existence. But, contrary to myth, TV work isn't all flash and glitter, the 31-year-old native of Ottawa says in an interview in her crowded office.

Naomi Loeb—TV work can be a struggle.

"It can be very exciting, but you're handling a lot of responsibility, and the work is very demanding. The hours are also incredibly long. I haven't had much of a social life in the last year. It's not the type of work you forget at five o'clock.

"That's one of the saddest things about TV. It's a continuous struggle."

Then there's the frustration of finding out that most of your material isn't up to scratch, she observes. "Trying to get people to open up in front of the camera is one of the greatest challenges. Some are terrific and others freeze. Very often, people don't want to come across too strongly on TV."

She tells of one man she interviewed. He was articulate and intelligent, but on TV he was like a clam, unable to communicate and the personification of dullness. As a result, the show was flaccid, lacking in drive and resolution.

Most of the time, the strikingly pretty Ms. Loeb straddles an artistic tight rope. "I have to walk a fine line between entertaining and educating the viewers," she explains.

If she had it her way TV would be more thoughtful and probing. But because the masses out there in TV land are so used to crass entertainment, serious programing struggles to be "10 times more exciting and grabby" than it ought to be.

Far too much in programing, she points out, is packaging, the medium over the message, as it were. "I have my doubts about that kind of an approach."

In referring to the CBC, Ms. Loeb says one network can't be all things to all men (and women). Maybe, she suggests, the CBC ought to emulate the BBC and start a second channel for more serious viewers.

Ms. Loeb got into TV, like so many others, by accident.

She studied Romance languages at the University of Toronto and Columbia after completing courses at the Universite de Lausanne and the Universite de Nancy in France. Before her marriage to an academic dissolved, she worked in public relations in Boston and as an English language teacher in Istanbul.

"I'd always been interested in broadcasting, but I didn't know how to go about it," she says.

She followed her husband to Edmonton and, after a short stint as an editor of Branching Out, a women's magazine she founded, Ms. Loeb was hired by Alberta educational TV as a researcher. A year later, she moved to the CBC as a script assistant.

Thanks to an on-camera interview she conducted with a top CBC executive, she was made a story editor. She returned to the educational network soon afterwards because she was offered an on-air job.

Ms. Loeb, one of the daughters of Bertram Loeb, the noted food merchandiser, started on the **Kowalski-Loeb Report** in January. "I felt ready for a new challenge," she says. She doesn't know if she'll be back next year. That depends on the ratings. Ms. Loeb has a 39-week contract with the CBC, so she doesn't have much security.

Her status on **Role Call**, a program that explores sex roles, is also uncertain. But she doesn't know whether she'd even go back if offered the position of hostess she held this year.

In the summer, she hopes to spend a few months on a kibbutz. She knows Israel fairly well, having been there before. Her father was a founder of Supersol, the grocery chain founded by a group of Canadian businessmen.

Looking ahead, she hopes to host a TV current affairs show on the lines of the **Kowalski-Loeb Report.** "But in five years' time, my priorities may change," she says, "I may want to have kids."

'Not free to choose own capital'

By DANIEL ACKS

TORONTO — The Canadian Jewish electorate must call government attention to the vital necessity of recognizing Israel's claim to all Jerusalem, Nick Simmonds, director of communications for the Canada-Israel Committee told an audience at the Young Herut of Canada organization recently.

"Toronto has more leverage as a community in this election than ever before," said Simmonds. "We have a responsibility to raise this issue on the election agenda. It is an issue of primary importance to the Jewish community. If we do not raise this issue, it could be argued that it is not the topic of legitimate concern which it is."

"Israel is the only country in the world which is not free to choose its own capital city," Simmonds added.

He traced Canadian policy regarding Israel and Jerusalem from the period after partition up to the present. Simmonds outlined how, in 1948, Israel was forced to accept a partition plan under which Jerusalem would become an international city.

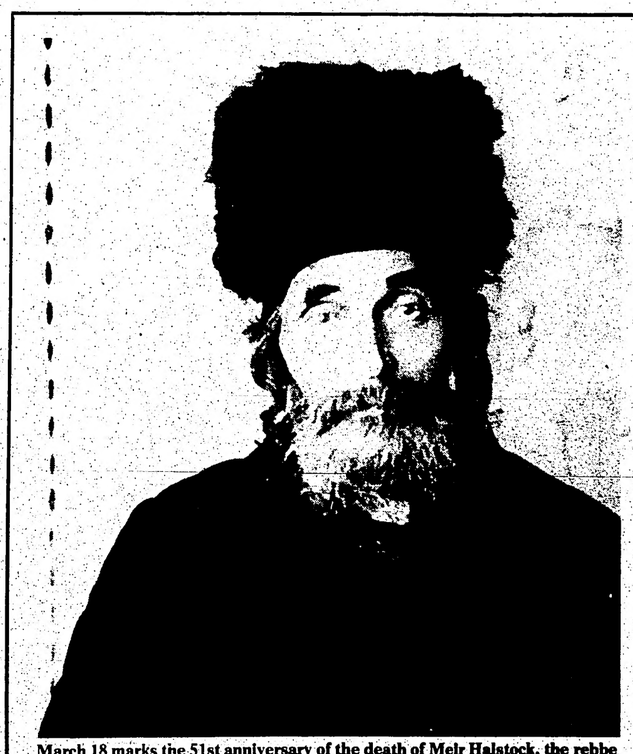
The Arab rejection of partition confirmed the Canadian government's feelings that such a plan was impractical and that Jerusalem could never function as an international city. Instead, continued Simmonds, Canada opted for "functional internationalization", whereby only holy places would be under international control. Such an approach recognized Israeli control over West Jerusalem and Jordanian control over East Jerusalem.

The Jordanian rejection of functional internationalization, however, prohibited the Canadian government's full embracement of such a plan. Thus, although Canada and Israel were in political agreement, "Canada was unwilling to risk the wrath of the Arab world by taking a position in favor of Israel. This situation remains the same today."

Simmonds explained that Canada now regards Israel's position in East Jerusalem as occupied territory. The Canadian government feels that to move its embassy from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem now would prejudice current peace negotiations.

The dominant feeling throughout Ottawa, stated Simmonds, is that "Jerusalem's future can only be settled within the context of an overall peace plan. This is one step short of the U.S., which regards East Jerusalem as occupied territory that can only be settled within terms of a Camp David agreement."

Simmonds briefly examined the Progressive Conservative stance which, according to Joe Clark, cannot foresee any change in policy regarding Jerusalem.



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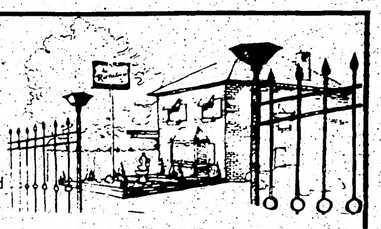

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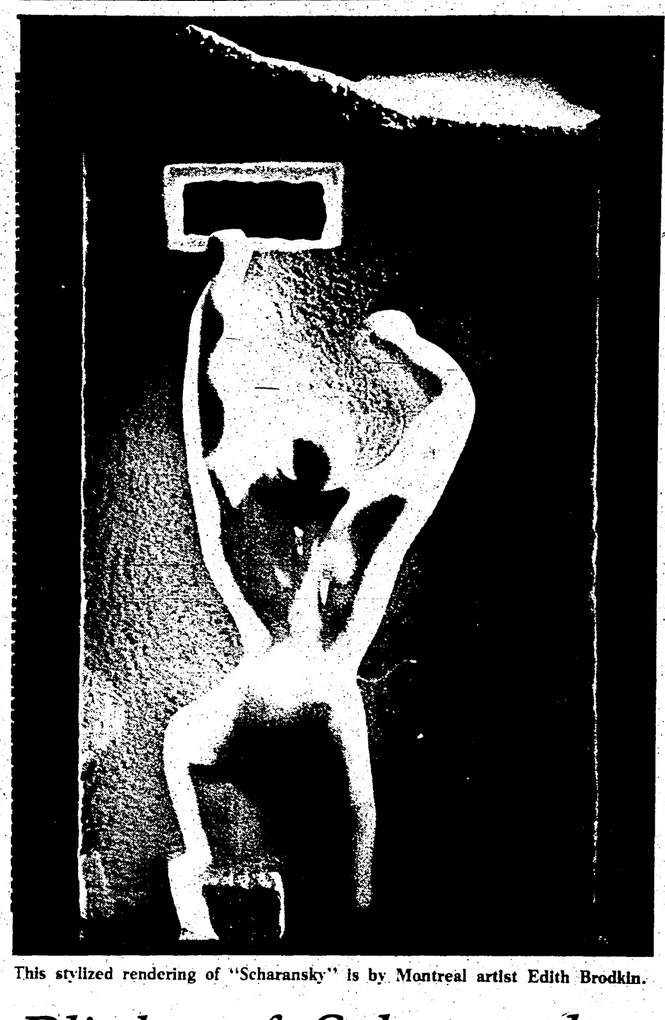

This stylized rendering of "Scharansky" is by Montreal artist Edith Brodkin.

Plight of Scharansky is depicted in marble by a Montreal artist

By JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL —

"It was something I just had to do," says Montreal sculptor Edith Brodkin of her marble work called simply Scharansky.

"I kept waking up at night before I started Scharansky, with the finished sculpture fully formed in my mind," she remembers.

The story of how Scharansky came to be goes back to a talk by Elie Wiesel last year which Mrs. Brodkin attended. Avital Scharansky was also present but, when asked to speak, broke down into tears and could not continue.

"Seeing this poor, tragic woman compelled me to do something...You could say Scharansky is an artistic response to a tragic event."

Although busy with an upcoming show, the trial and subsequent sentencing of Anatoly Scharansky last July was the turning point for Mrs. Brodkin who made the decision there and then to put her dreams into marble.

The finished product has not only given Mrs. Brodkin immense personal satisfaction, it has gained the attention of the one who set the wheels in motion — Avital Scharansky.

Mrs. Scharansky, who will be in Montreal March 18-20, is to dedicate Mrs. Brodkin's sculpture at a reception at Hotel Bonaventure March 19. This reception will precede a symposium to commemorate international solidarity day for Anatoly Scharansky, being sponsored that evening by Canadian Jewish Congress and the B'nai B'rith-Hillel Foundation.

Mrs. Brodkin began work on Scharansky last September in her studio located above a monument maker's shop on St. Lawrence Boulevard. The sculpture is presently on loan from the Shayne Gallery.

About two-and-a-half feet high, the sculpture shows the back of a nude male figure reaching for a tiny window, his only contact with the outside world from his cell.

"The fact that the window is too small for him to escape through symbolizes the hopelessness Scharansky must feel about his situation," she explained.

The edges of the window and the top of the cell wall have been left very rough, in comparison to the smoothness of the figure and the even texture of the wall, deliberately by Mrs. Brodkin to represent the brutality of the conditions he is living under.

The stretching of the arm and back muscles have been exaggerated to emphasize his struggle. Scharansky is faceless so as not to lessen the feeling of determination in the piece.

There is one bright spot in the sculpture. Scharansky appears to be stepping onto a block that will bring him up to the level of the window.

"This means that Scharansky's situation is not totally without hope. There are people in the outside world who are trying to help him.

"I thought of calling it 'Dissident' but I realized this might detract from my feelings about him, as a person."

Scharansky represents a departure in her sculpting career, said Mrs. Brodkin, who has been sculpting professionally for 15 years. "Up to now I've been mainly concerned with expressing love in my work. I feel I have gone onto another dimension where human sadness and isolation can also be a part of my work."

During her career, she has had exhibitions in Ottawa, Toronto, and Winnipeg, as well as her native Montreal.

Last year her sculpture 'Barrier', inspired by the Quebec political climate, was exhibited in London, Paris, Brussels, and New York. Barrier is two figures separated by a curved wall which symbolizes the barriers that arise between people and nations, she said.

Mrs. Brodkin, who developed into a sculptor after 20 years of painting and drawing, teaches sculpture at the Preville Fine Arts school, Champlain Regional College, the Laval Jewish Community Centre, and the Golden Age Association.

"I teach people who range in age from seven to their 80s," she said with pride.

After the dedication, Scharansky will have a temporary home at Congress' Samuel Bronfman House, until Mrs. Brodkin decides what she will do with her beloved sculpture.

Professor proves conflict rooted before the advent of Zionists

By MEL SOLMAN

MONTREAL —

The seeds of the current Arab-Israeli conflict were planted well before 1914 and had little to do with "missed opportunities" by early Zionist leaders, according to Neil Caplan in his newly published book, **Palestinian Jewry and the Arab Question** (Frank Cass and Co. Ltd., London).

"Studies of Jewish-Arab relations during the period 1882-1914," writes the Vanier CEGEP professor, "have suggested that 'the trend of subsequent developments in Palestine was already set' before 1914 and that the latent conflict had reached a stage where a number of people on each side were beginning to understand the aspirations and intentions of the other only too well."

Caplan's 200-page study, soon to be published in Hebrew, served as his PhD thesis from the London School of Economics. Using as his focus a brief period following World War I, Caplan felt this to be an ideal chapter in Zionist history demonstrating in full the early problems which were to grow in later years.

"The years 1917-25," writes the native Montrealer, "reveal a fairly widespread feeling in the Yishuv that there existed an almost unbridgeable gap between what the Zionists were committed to making out of Palestine, on the one hand, and what they believed their Arab 'neighbors' were insisting should not happen to the country, on the other. People who held this view, quietly, but firmly accepted the possibility that the upbuilding of their national home, which they regarded as an historic necessity, would lead to an unfortunate, but unavoidable, clash with the Arabs."

In researching original documents in Jerusalem between 1970-72, Caplan claims to have assembled convincing evidence which refutes the charge that widespread neglect or ignorance of Palestinian Arabs by early Zionist leaders led directly to the present state of war between Israel and the Arab world. "What does emerge, on the contrary, is a picture of Palestinian Jewry's acute awareness of a real gap already separating the basic position of Jews and Arabs in Palestine."

While completing his Master's thesis in Canadian studies at Carleton University, Caplan's attention was overtaken by the 1967 Middle East war, an event which caused him to change the focus of his academic interest and to wonder whether some form of broad-based federalism might be a solution to the conflict. He began his Middle East studies from a dovish standpoint, convinced that a peaceful solution to the conflict had been stymied by the insensitivity of the Zionist leadership.

As he went through the Israel state archives and those of the Central Zionist headquarters, the realization came that "the people who were in fact the decision-makers in the early days were not as free to move in the direction the Zionist dissident thinkers theorized."

His dovish outlook changed the more he read the minutes of the closed debates and meetings of Zionist leaders as well as their private correspondence. "They were trying their best under the circumstances," he said during a recent interview. "Then as now, anyone working for peaceful coexistence could not have wild-eyed expectations and had to be aware of the very small chances for bringing that about."

As early as 1908, said Caplan, Palestinian Arab representatives to the Turkish parliament were "playing the Zionist card" to stir up emotions against Jewish colonization in the region. "The seeds of the current impasse were well in evidence then."

"Both sides wanted something which they claimed was all theirs," said Caplan. "Both sides, reinforced by historical and religious experiences, maintained a belief that they could hold out for as long as necessary in order to attain their goals."

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TORONTO —

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The stars he refers to are: Svika Pick, Israel's top rock singer and teenage idol; Shaike Ofir, a French-trained mime artist, a former American TV star and one of Israel's foremost actors and comedians; and the Yamim Tovim trio, Joav Shemer, Magen Dahari and Chaim ben Melech, with their unique Hassidic and Hebrew songs sung in the modern Israeli spirit.

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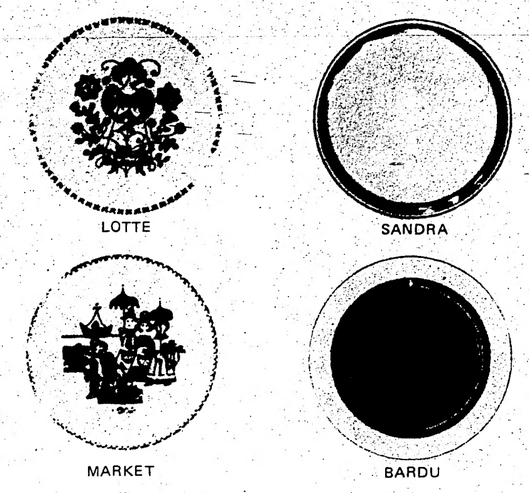

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World Mizrachi leader says Knesset

By VIVIEN SHARON

TORONTO —

The Knesset is making earnest efforts to come as close to Halacha as possible in Israeli legislation, Rabbi Simon Dolgin, chairman of the world Mizrachi Hapoel Hamizrachi movement, said in Toronto last week.

Addressing a gathering in Baycrest Terrace, Rabbi Dolgin, who made aliya over seven years ago from California, gave as an example a new law which came into effect last month which enables the courts to turn to Halacha to resolve an issue. With regard to abortion, he said that the right to terminate pregnancy is being reconsidered by the government since it is non-permissable under Jewish law, except in certain extenuating circumstances.

Rabbi Dolgin said there exists in Israel today an urgency to seek roots in the tradition of the Jewish people and to reach out more and more for true Jewish values. This religious unfolding is bringing about a renewed respect for the Sabbath. Fewer temporary and permanent work permits for this day are being issued, he told his audience.

The religious Zionist leader, who presently serves as rabbi in Hamat Eshkol, Jerusalem, said that about 95% of all permits will not be renewed upon expiry "as endorsation must now come from a special committee of halachic experts."

Elaborating further on the sanctity of the Sabbath, he said: "The Mizrachi movement, through the ministry of religious affairs, has been sponsoring an Institute for Halacha and Technology, to find techniques of automation, whereby businesses such as a sugar factories or steel mills can operate without violating the Sabbath."

Another development came last July, when a new amendment to Israel's 1949 law on army service enabled a religious woman to obtain an exemption by declaring, in writing, that she observes kashruth and the Sabbath.

During the debate of this law, commented the rabbi, no Knesset member even got up and queried the legitimacy of such a request. "This typifies a new sense of recognition for the individual who has a conscious objection because of religious differences."

On a similar note, even President Itzchak Navon, at his investiture last summer, made a religious statement and concluded with a prayer, which was rarely done up until then, he said.

The education system is being influenced by this religious zeal as well, he noted.

"In each of the major universities, in their law schools, departments of Mishpat Ivri (Hebrew judgement) have been formed to deal with questions arising out of modern life such as inflation."

He added that now there is a special Mishpat Ivri department in the ministry of justice, which is meant to be a source of guidance, both to the Knesset and the court system in general. Coexistent with the regular courts, there are rabbinic courts that have complete jurisdiction over all questions of personal involvement such as marriage, divorce, inheritance and paternity.

Much of this spiritual resurgence can be attributed to the minister of education, Zevulun Hammer, who is a member of Mizrachi, and understands, implicitly, the imperatives of a profound religious education, he said.

"The distinctiveness of the Mizrachi movement, which is 77 years old, is that it communicates with all Jews — through the army and through Torah — through body and soul," he said. "We have never deviated from the Zionist movement, and our boys, through Yeshivot Hesder, now serve in the army."

Other participants in the evening were Rabbi Irwin Witty, executive director of the Board of Jewish Education; Kurt Rothschild, national president of Mizrachi Hapoel Hamizrachi, and Miles Halberstadt, Toronto president of Mizrachi.

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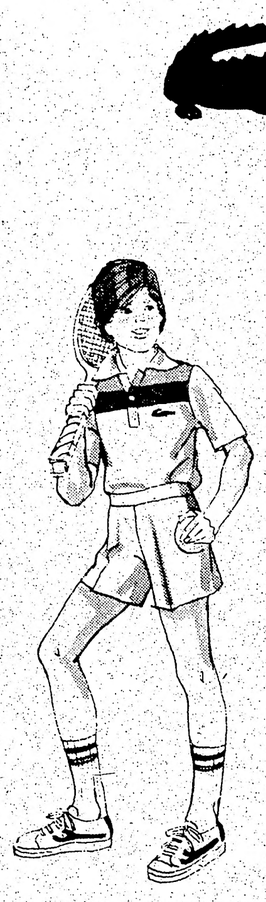

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By DAVID BIRKAN

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The recipes themselves are arranged according to the following handy chapters: appetizers and dips, soups and accompaniments, salads and dressings, egg and cheese dishes, vegetables, fish, meat, poultry, quick breads and muffins, desserts, cakes, pies, and cookies. There is also a section on the traditional eastern European dishes.

The dishes vary from the basic familiar ones to gastronomic delights unsurpassed in the most sophisticated of restaurants. Among the 35 or so listings in the poultry section, for example, there is a recipe for barbecued chicken submitted by contributor Rhoda Waxman. On the page next to it is a recipe entitled "breast of chicken sauteed mirelle" submitted by chef Tony Roldan. Dolores Weiner gives us chicken fricasse, among other dishes, Esther Schwartz presents roast duckling a l'orange, and Renee Wolfson details the making of chicken teriyaki.

(The contributors of each recipe are not left anonymous; their names are there to be recalled and — if known personally — be congratulated in heartfelt appreciation.)

Measurements for all recipes are presented in metric and standard volumes. A two-page article at the beginning of the book gives some good advice on measurement conversions.

Also very helpful is a two-page glossary, a table of substitutions and a six-page description of herbs, aromatic seeds and spices that would be a rare find in any cookbook.

An 11-page index provides a good cross-reference to all the dishes described, and listing them according to the Jewish holidays.

Given all the above, the book would make an excellent gift for newlyweds, for those with young families, for those who entertain regularly, and for those who would like to have kosher-style versions of all those delectable sounding French, Oriental and Italian dishes.

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Passover is just around the corner. The **Kinnereth Cook Book's** index lists 40 Passover entries, from tzimmes to lasagna, from brownie meringues to rasberry mousse, and from blintzes to vegetable cutlets. So, b'ta'avon and bon appetit.

Copies can be ordered from Hadassah-WIZO at 788 Marlee Ave., or through Mrs. J. Posluns, 23 Park Lane Circle, Don Mills, or from Mrs. Coopersmith, 409 Glenayr Rd., Toronto.

Constant reality in biblical days were the wars

book review

By BERNARD BASKIN

Battles of the Bible
By Chaim Herzog & Mordechai Gichon
McGraw-Hill Ryerson
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Some years ago I was asked to present a paper on the subject of war as depicted in biblical literature. I found it necessary to consult a dozen books and several encyclopedias. Most of this work and effort would have been unnecessary if this detailed and valuable volume had been available.

Two of Israel's outstanding military experts — knowledgable and judicious — have joined to describe the nature of warfare from the invasion of Canaan by Joshua, through the conquest of the land by David and Solomon to the successful rebellion of the Maccabees.

We are presented with the step-by-step preparations for the encounters, and then the vivid and dramatic confrontations — guerrilla raids, incursions, sieges, the massive clash of armies as empires hung in the balance. Not overlooked is the development and use of weapons, from primitive spears and shields to sophisticated chariots.

This book fills a scholarly gap. Despite the subject, matter the treatment is not sanguinary and remains continually absorbing even for readers whose interest in military matters is peripheral. Although peace was the elusive ideal, wars, both offensive and defensive, were a constant reality in biblical days.

The authors are convinced that the tactics and strategy that animated the chieftains of old are still a suggestive source of information for Israeli generals in our day. There are 36 maps and a plethora of helpful illustrations.

Despite grains of truth...

Anti-Zionist views of U.S. polemicist whitewash of reality

books

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

The Zionist Connection
By Alfred M. Lilienthal
Dodd, Mean, N.Y.
$19.95

Alfred Lilienthal is an obsessive anti-Zionist. He might even be called the Jewish equivalent of Yasser Arafat. In the last 26 years, Lilienthal has written three rabidly anti-Zionist polemics on Israel, Zionism and the Middle East, and this is his fourth, his magnum opus, one might say.

Lilienthal, a native American, essentially believes that a Zionist Jew cannot be a loyal citizen of the United States. It is, to say the least, a dubious argument. His ideas about Judaism are dated and out of touch with reality, but they are well argued and fairly cogent. His views of Zionism are fanatical and jarring on the ears.

He argues that, while Judaism is a universalist religion, Zionism is a segregationist creed. In fact, Lilienthal goes as far as to say that Zionism is the reverse side of anti-Semitism.

For Lilienthal, the author of **What Price Israel?**, **There Goes the Middle East** and **The Other Side of the Coin**, Yasser Arafat possesses the ideal solution to the Arab-Israeli conflict. In other words, a secular, democratic state in Palestine, in place of Israel, would defuse the animosity between Jews and Arab.

As is to be expected from a man who supports the PLO uncritically, Lilienthal writes one-sidedly about Israel and Zionism, allegedly because Israeli supporters dominate the press and, indeed, the media. For him, Israel can only do wrong. There is nothing positive about the notion of Jewish statehood. It is a picture of unrelieved darkness.

He claims that Zionist movements manipulate the press and the American political system for their own ends, implying that Zionist Jews owe their loyalty not to Washington but to Jerusalem. Zionism corrupts Judaism and precipitates doubts in the minds of Gentile Americans as to the basic loyalty of U.S. Jews.

Lilienthal, who is probably the most noted American Jewish anti-Zionist ideologue in addition to Rabbi Elmer Berger, writes that Zionists use the Holocaust—or the fear of another Holocaust—to promote Israeli expansionism and racism.

He justifies evey PLO excess, from Ma'alot to last year's massacre along the Haifa-Tel Aviv road. And all he can bring himself to say about Gen. George Brown's notorious speech that Jews control the media in the United States is that his remarks were "ill-considered." Lilienthal, who prides himself on calling a spade a spade, shrinks at the thought of accusing Gen. Brown of anti-Semitism.

After reading his massive tome—all 750 pages of it—one is left with the impression that Israel is a millstone around the neck of the U.S., that the Zionist movement is a world conspiracy, that Israel is evil incarnate, that the Palestinian case is pristine pure, that Arabs have never persecuted Jews and that Alfred Lilienthal has the correct answer to everything that puzzles analysts of Middle Eastern affairs.

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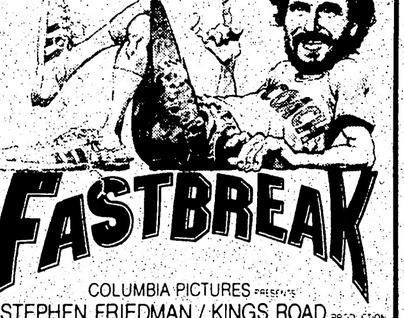
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Itche Roth stars at a recently held Yiddish evening

in concert

By RICK KARDONNE

"We will survive; despite oil shortages, Khomeini, and Carter's Little Pressure Pills."

So said Jewish Public Library president Meyer Feldman, introducing, and thus setting the tone for a well-attended and often satisfying Yiddish "Evening of Word and Song" presented by the Israel Frankel Jewish Public Library at Shaarei Shomayim on Feb. 22.

The true star of the show was Itche Roth, who has performed with all of the great Yiddish actors; Maurice Schwartz and Jacob Ben-Ami to name but a few.

He did a succinct epic-grandeur authoritative rendition of Sholom Aleichem's supremely poignant tragic-irony story about the cantor who dies on Erev Yom Kippur; a reading which held the large audience totally enraptured. Roth's Yiddish is in the best classical tradition; to hear him perform live is a rare privilege.

Chaya Thalenberg's reading of Isaac Bashevis Singer's surrealistic **Kukuri-Ku** (Cock-a-Doodle-Doo) evoked the wild, cabalistic-rooted ingenious total involvement of what is one of Singer's best tales.

Nat Gornick's Yiddish-ized-English language lighter-humor pathos reading of Sholom Aleichem's **Berel Isaac** did manage to evoke this sense of audience two-way communication; one must take into account, however, that the effort involved was not as ambitious as that of Ms. Thalenberg. Orna Lehman's part-Hebrew, part-English readings of classical Zionist epic-poetry suited the overall relevant spirit, but for this Yiddish-minded audience, it was a bit out of place. Rabbi Zigmund Wolkenstein's fine singing of contemporary Israeli standards (and one original) was regrettably not entranced by his beginner-level guitar strumming.

FACULTY TRIO CONCERT: A virtuoso performance of Paul Ben-Haim's spectacular **Sonata for Solo Violin**, by Lorand Fenyves was the highlight of an intelligently planned final concert of the Beth Tzedec Music Festival on Feb. 25. The concert featured the University of Toronto Faculty Trio, consisting of Fenyves on violin, Vladimir Orloff on cello, and Patricia Parr on piano.

Ben-Haim, Israel's acknowledged "senior-statesman" composer, ranks with the all-time greats. His **Sonata for Solo Violin** is an exciting essential semi-abstract organism rooted in three archtypical Hebraic musical traditions: the first movement being that of free prayer liturgy; the second movement being that of the lament, and the third movement being that of the hora-folk dance. It is the Jewish root which makes this sonata genuinely original.

The concert opened with Ernest Bloch's magnificent **Prayer from Jewish Life #1** for cello and piano. Orloff's interpretation was sensitive and richly uninhibited. It continued with Bloch's **Three Nocturnes for Violin, Cello and Piano**, which appropriately began with the mature introspection of the first two, and then the serene yet sweeping melody of the third. Beethoven's **Trio #1 in E flat major** concluded the first half of the program: an interpretation which was sparkling and extremely accurate in regards to phrasing but somewhat devoid of total-conceptualization. Fortunately, this minor flaw was totally lacking in the Faculty Trio's definitive and masterful rendition of the afternoon concert's concluding work: Shostokovich's **Trio #2 in E minor.**

Soviet artists featured

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO —

Ever since the Soviet government loosened its emigration regulations, tens of thousands of Russian Jews have poured out of the Soviet Union. Among them have been talented stage performers whose careers were relatively well advanced in their motherland.

North Americans, by and large, are unfamiliar with either Russian music or Russian artists. Lately, however, Torontonians have been given the opportunity of supplementing their knowledge of the Russian performer.

Gregory Bruskin, proprietor of the Barmalay, a Russian restaurant which marked its third anniversary recently, occasionally brings in Soviet Jewish performers whom he knew when he was an entertainer in Russia.

His latest show, staged last week in the rustic interior of the Barmalay, emphasized the best and the worst of the genre.

On hand to serenade the 40 or so diners who packed the lower level of the Barmalay were Evgenya Baumel, Michael Kushnir, Pavel Batitsky and Sergei Boldereff. With the exception of Boldereff, who is Russian Orthodox, all the performers live in the United States.

Like roaming troubadors in search of sympathetic audiences, they go from one city to another, performing in Russian restaurants, before mainly Jewish audiences who appreciate the rousing gusto of a Russian song, the saccharine sentimentality of a Yiddish melody, or the scintillating smoothness of an old soft shoe.

Evgenya Baumel, an almond-eyed beauty in her late 20s or early 30s, provided the sentimentality. Michael Kushnir, who must be in his middle or late 40s, regaled onlookers with soft-shoe routines slightly out of date. Sergei Boldereff, rotund, goateed and cheerful, livened up spirits with his stirring renditions of Russian favorites.

Pavel Batitsky, a slightly bored expression on his youthful 21-year-old face, played a fold-out piano. He's from Lvov, having emigrated 10 months ago.

Ms. Baumel, a native of Leningrad whose home base is now Los Angeles, put on a competent performance in both Russian and Yiddish. But she was at her very best in tandem with Boldereff, whose family left Russia soon after the 1917 revolution.

Kushnir, his rubber face running a gamut of emotions, was entertaining, but his rock and roll imitation was in poor taste and didn't quite work. Kushnir, an old war horse on the entertainment circuit, lives in New York, and hails from Moscow.

Bruskin, a former actor turned restaurateur, says he plans to bring in more performers in the coming months. If you're looking for a complete change, Bruskin's show is certainly worth trying. The cover charge is $7, and meals are moderately priced. The address: 994 St. Clair West.

Uneasy relationship subject of analysis

books

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

Exile and Return
By Martin Gilbert
McGraw-Hill Ryerson
$13.50

The uneasy relationship between the British government and the Zionist movement between 1917 and 1948 is essentially the subject of Martin Gilbert's illuminating book. The story has been told many times before, but rarely in so competent a fashion.

What emerges clearly from Gilbert's analysis is the duplicity and venality of British policy in Palestine. The British wanted Palestine in order to protect the Suez Canal and the route to India. To achieve that imperial objective, they gave the Zionists what they sought —the Balfour Declaration —but within a few years' time the British were looking beyond them and to the Arabs.

Zionism was an idea that captured the imagination of only a few British politicians. But the few—Lloyd George, Arthur Balfour, Winston Churchill—were powerful and influential and so were able to push aside objections from their colleagues and Foreign Office officials who felt that Britain should court the Arabs.

As Gilbert points out, the honeymoon between Britain and the Zionist movement, spearheaded by Chaim Weizmann, was short-lived. It probably ended in 1922, when Britain partitioned Palestine and handed over Trans-Jordan to the Arabs.

From 1922 onwards, Britain pursued policies that usually pleased the Arabs and angered the Zionists. The euphoria of 1917, the year the Balfour Declaration was issued, gradually wore off. Zionists were happy with the 1937 Peel White Paper calling for the partition of Palestine into two states, one Arab, one Jewish. But all their hopes were dashed just two years later, when the infamous White Paper appeared. It repudiated the Balfour Declaration and all but ended Zionist aspirations for a mini-state in Palestine by curtailing immigration.

The Arabs were appeased; they had, from the beginning, opposed any formal Jewish presence in Palestine. Gilbert quotes Egyptian Prime Minister Nahas Pasha as saying: "Egypt could not regard with equanimity the prospect of an independent Jewish state as her neighbour . . . who could say the voracious Jew would not claim Sinai next?"

At its best, the British-Zionist connection was marred by the anti-Semitism espoused by the highest officials in the Foreign Office. The wife of the British ambassador in Berlin, who had expressed sympathy for German Jews, visited Tel Aviv soon afterwards and described the Jews she had seen as a "strangely unpleasing race." Sir Henry Wilson, Lloyd George's principal assistant at the San Remo conference ratifying Britain's legal status in Palestine, remarked: "Then we dropped down to Monte Carlo. . . . The day was absolutely perfect . . . except the horrible crowd of Jews, Dagos . . . painted women, most of them ugly and dirty as sin. . . ."

Even at the height of Nazi persecution of German Jews, some British officials were blinded by their prejudices. Foreign Office official George Rendel, worried about possible German influence in Palestine, wrote: "A Jewish state is therefore likely to acquire a very Teutonic complexion, and it is by no means inconceivable that if there was some turn of the wheel in Europe, a no longer actively Jew-baiting Germany might find a ready-made spiritual colony awaiting her in a key position in the Middle East."

Gilbert observes that even when the Nazis and their allies in fascist Europe were harassing and persecuting their Jewish citizens, the British went to unusual lengths to prevent Jews from reaching Palestine, or their colonies in Africa, South America or the Mediterranean. Moreover, the British were incensed when Palestinian Jews attempted to smuggle Jews into Palestine. ". . . Like so many lawbreakers, (they) are thinking only of themselves, and fail to realize that what they are doing is fundamentally anti-social —as anti-social as the German persecution of which they complain," a Colonial Office note read.

By 1939, the Zionists who had looked to Britain for help and support in 1917 had finally shed their grand illusions. Britain was an unreliable ally, or friend, as events after the Second World War were to prove so conclusively. Statehood, they realized, would have to be attained at the point of a gun, not through British diplomacy.

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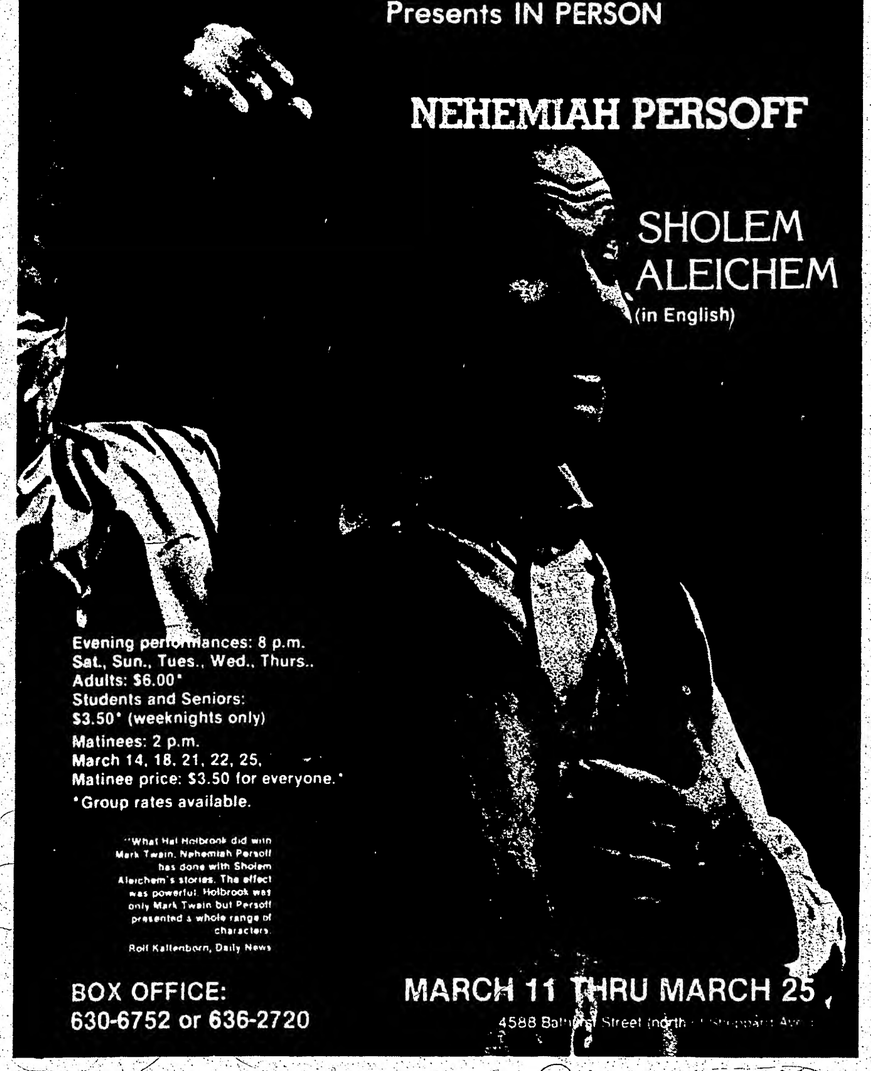

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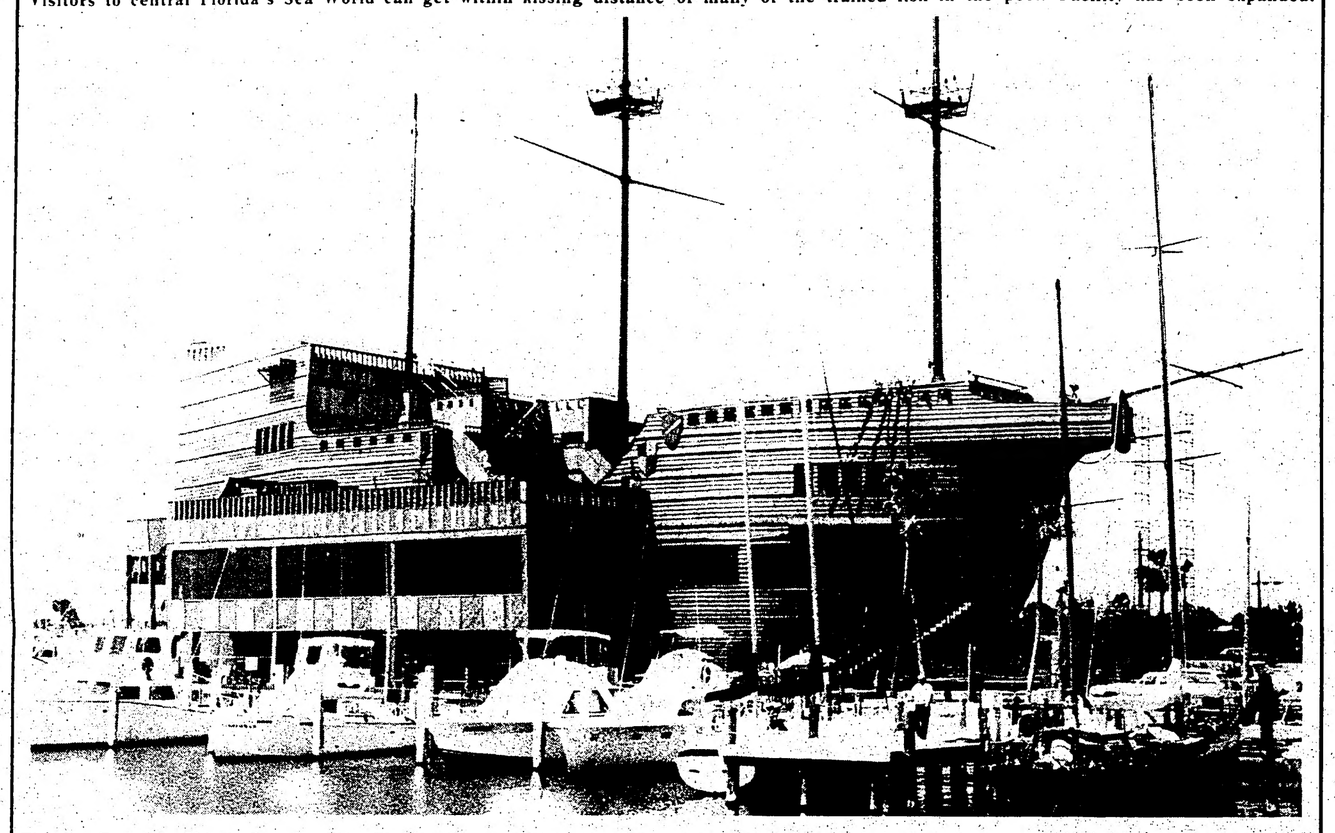

The new Treasure Ship in Panama City, Florida, dropped anchor last May and all four floors of the vessel were opened to visitors to the state.

A tasty kosher restaurant in the tropics of Acapulco

By MURRAY MALKIN

ACAPULCO — A European-style kosher restaurant in the tropics of Mexico? Impossible? Inconceivable?

For the answer, walk up a flight of steps, out of the torrid sun, into an air-conditioned restaurant along the city's main strip.

The interior takes you back to another country, perhaps Poland or Israel. Starched-white tablecloths cover the table tops, jugs of ice water sit on the side tables. Off in a corner, waiters whisper and laugh, talking about the latest soccer game.

This European-cum Mexican hideaway in the sun is called simply, the Kosher Restaurant. It's located in the Hotel Posada Del Sol, and it's a meeting place for Orthodox Jews on holiday, partly because it's the only kosher restaurant in town, but mainly because of the tiny shul in the back where minyans are held three times daily.

They make you feel at home here, and the mood is such that you think you're among old friends.

The waiter approaches, handing you a food-stained menu. Your eyes dart over the selection, and you're back in a New York diner again: matza ball soup, pickled herring and chopped liver in the land of the taco and refried bean.

The food is tasty, filling and inexpensive, and what more could a Jewish tourist want? It's not as good as my parents' Winnipeg home, but if you find yourself in Acapulco, you should give it a try.

Maria Gancz, a former Hungarian Jew, runs the Kosher Restaurant. She lives in Mexico City part of the year with her husband, but for the past 16 years she spends from just after the High Holidays to the final day of May running the restaurant. Then she returns to the capital and her family.

In addition to the usual kosher fare, Mrs. Gancz serves such treats as Hungarian goulash, steak, stuffed cabbage and avocado cocktail.

In two words, her restaurant is mucho mechaya.

Tel Aviv Hilton is a total resort on Mediterranean

TEL AVIV — The title of the most preferred hotel was awarded the Tel Aviv Hilton as a result of the 1979 popularity poll taken by Yedioth Achronot, the mass-circulation evening newspaper of Israel. The annual popularity poll included a hotel category for the first time in its best product research.

The poll is sponsored by the periodical and conducted by the Israel Institute of Applied Social Research in Jerusalem. The Institute selected a population sampling, conducted extensive interviews and graded products according to votes cast. The Tel Aviv Hilton received 42% of the votes in the hotel category, while the next runner-up received 15.9%.

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In addition to setting the pace for tourism in Tel Aviv, the hotel has become a social center for residents and visitors alike, adding an international flavor to the city.

Language and culture rarely hinder tourists

By MARILYN GREEN

TEL AVIV — Differences in language and culture needn't be big problems while traveling in Israel. Coming from varied backgrounds themselves, Israelis are used to a mixture of nationalities, and welcome them with a common tongue—hospitality.

It is difficult for a tourist to get lost or lonely; there always seems to be a friendly Israeli around to provide suggestions. Like the time I arrived in Tel Aviv and my luggage didn't. Six gallant attendants of the sherut (shared taxi) company spent two hours phoning back and forth between Jerusalem and Tel Aviv trying to locate the lost items. In the meantime, I hurried to an appointment at the Canadian Embassy, only to find they had moved.

Now frantic, I explained my plight to two young men in a nearby shop. They drove me to the Embassy, and even offered to escort me to the police station if the luggage could not be located. Fortunately the bags turned up many hours later.

Israel provides one especially welcome service for the lone visitor. If you contact the government tourist informations office, they will arrange an evening with a compatible counterpart or a family in any Israeli city. Often these casual meetings lead to warm friendships.

When invited for dinner to an Israeli home, expect to see a never-ending array of interesting, colorful and tasty dishes. These will be served with gracious hospitality, whether or not you can communicate with your host.

Of specific interest to Canadians spending time in the Holy Land is the Association of Americans and Canadians in Israel (AACI). Included among their many services is counselling to help the newcomer cope with problems confronting a recent arrival. Also available from them are special activities catering to the single person. There are: inexpensive guided trips lasting from one day to a week, movie nights, dances, language and exercise classes, and even a tennis club.

The AACI was established in 1951 as a self-help organization to assist those planning to settle in Israel. For a nominal membership fee, one can participate in all of their activities, receive a monthly newsletter outlining events, and obtain assistance from a trained counsellor.

A good way of sight-seeing without a guide is to purchase a visitor's bus ticket from any Egged tour office. (Egged is the largest bus company in Israel.) Available only to tourists, the tickets are valid from 14 to 30 days and prices start at $25 U.S. You can use these tickets to travel anywhere in Israel, except Sinai. In Tel Aviv, however, a different bus line operates. This method of travel allows enormous savings and is the fastest way of getting to know the local population.

For further information about these and other tourist services in Israel, call the Israel Government Tourist Office in Toronto at 964-3784 or write to their office at 102 Bloor St. W.

Cost of homes in Jerusalem still escalating

JERUSALEM [ZINS] — The cost of housing in Jerusalem continues to escalate. Only two months ago the per-room cost of a flat in Jerusalem was IL 500,000. Now it is already IL 600,000. The main reasons for this condition are: the shortage of land, the relatively limited number of available apartments, and the excessive demand by affluent Israelis and well-heeled newcomers. A six-room flat in Talbieh recently sold for $400,000. According to building experts, this is the most expensive apartment which was ever sold in the city of Jerusalem. A four-room apartment in Kiryat Shmuel was recently sold for $120,000. Fetching the same price were a number of apartments in Rehaviah. In Ramat Eshkol the prices are somewhat more reasonable. A four-room apartment on the fourth floor (no elevator) recently sold for $75,000. One can still get a relatively inexpensive apartment in Givat Mordecai. Recently, a three-room apartment was sold in that area for IL 850,000, that is roughly IL 280,000 per room. Overall however, the apartments in Jerusalem are about 20% more expensive than those in the best neighborhoods of the northern part of Tel Aviv.

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Windsor's community thrives

By ANITA HURWITZ

WINDSOR — In an age when many North American communities are struggling to maintain religious and cultural individuality, Jewish identity in this city is thriving.

Windsor's Jewish community is essentially a 20th-century one, the first Jews having settled here in the late 1800s. The earliest immigrants heralded a migration from the pale of Eastern Europe. Even now, Jewish roots are primarily in Poland and White Russia, occasionally in post-war Hungary.

Six recent Russian immigrant families and approximately 12 Israeli families add to the population's diversity.

The Jews are distributed throughout the professions, and are active in business, academia, and small manufacturing plants.

This is fundamentally an aging community, though one in which the immigration, emigration, births and deaths are currently in balance. The population remains constant at about 2,000.

Three synagogues serve the city, two of which have rabbis in the pulpit: at Congregation Shaar Hashomayim, Rabbi Benjamin Z. Holczer, and at Congregation Beth El, Rabbi Dr. Jonathan V. Plaut. There is a mikva at the Shaarey Zedek Synagogue.

Education proves a vital element of the religious atmosphere. Congregation Beth El and Congregation Shaar Hashomayim both have afternoon religious schools, and there are children who commute to day schools in Detroit. Windsor shares many resources with its American neighbor which contribute to the local Jewish ambience.

The Hebrew Collegiate Institute provides teens with a unique opportunity to expand their self-awareness. A program of cultural study for high school students, HCI culminates for its participants in a community sponsored summer in Israel.

Escaping the fate suffered by other Ontario cities, Windsor still has animal ritual slaughter done in the community. A resident shoichet oversees the process. There is a Vaad Hakashrut responsible for Kashruth, as well as for the maintenance of the local kosher butcher shop. Through the services of the Jewish Community Council, kosher frozen food trays are available for shut-ins and hospital patients.

The Jewish Community Council, the representative body of all Jewish organizations, is housed in the Jewish Community centre building, which opened 20 years ago. The Community Council provides the fundamental structure for the Jewish community.

Under its auspices, a diverse range of services is offered. They include community relations, community planning, family services, with two professionally trained social workers, the Jewish Community Centre, a day camp, a library, well-stocked with books, periodicals and research material, an outreach program to students at the University of Windsor, and golden age services. There is a Chesed Shel Emes and a Jewish cemetery in the community.

The Community Centre Chorale, which began in the golden age program, has achieved far-reaching fame.

Of topical concern is a feasibility study by the I.L. Peretz Property Development Committee for the development of a senior citizens' living accommodation contiguous to the Centre, on the ground occupied by the former I.L. Peretz Yiddish school.

Windsor's future strength lies in the continuing development of its young leadership. There is a large sophisticated group of young men and young women who are rising up to meet the continuing challenge of 20th century Jewish living in the Diaspora.

Clyde Gilmour presents Yiddish songstress

Claire Osipov featured on radio show

By ABRAHAM ARNOLD

WINNIPEG — Claire Klein Osipov was introduced last weekend on Clyde Gilmour's CBC radio program, as the Vancouver singer with the "haunting voice." Gilmour played several selections from Claire's new record album, "Sing to me in Yiddish." A leading interpreter of Jewish folk music, she does indeed have a beautiful and inspiring voice and what is more important, she still believes in singing Yiddish folk songs.

Born and educated in Toronto, Claire began her singing career with the Toronto Jewish Folk Choir under the direction of the late renowned conductor, Emil Gartner. She later did national concert tours and also performed on radio and TV.

Claire has lived in Vancouver with her husband and family for many years and she is well known for her concert work there. Although she has not been heard from on the national music scene in the past few years it is significant that as soon as Gilmour was presented with her album, he decided to feature it on his program.

Gilmour presented four of the 13 numbers in the Klein-Osipov album which was produced in the Little Mountain Sound Studios in Vancouver.

The opening number on the disc is **A Lidele in Yiddish**—play for me a song in Yiddish—"as alle zollen heren, shener noch un besser vi geven"—so that everyone will hear that our song is better and more beautiful than before."

Claire's beautiful voice is enhanced by her great personal feeling for Yiddish songs and by the clarity of her diction. Her songs will of course strike a nostalgic note in the older Yiddish-speaking population. She will also stir the feelings of younger people who are beginning to study Yiddish or who are searching for their Yiddish roots.

The second song on the album is titled **Nign** and it will be recognized as a special interpretation of **Chiri-bim**. Then there are the two popular "rebbe" songs, **As Der Rebbe Zingt** and **Sha Shtil**.

She also sings several moving love songs including **Mayn Rue Platz** and **Mayn Yingele** by the Yiddish poet Morris Rosenfeld, and **Buzi** from Sholem Aleichem.

On the second side Claire sings two songs by Mordechai Gebirtig, who died in the Holocaust: **Undzer Shtetl Brendt** and **Trili-Trilili**, more love songs, and two more popular folk songs, **Dos Chossidl**, and **Di Mezinke Oisegegebn**.

Claire Klein Osipov gave a memorable performance in Toronto a few years ago at the 50th anniversary concert of the Toronto Jewish Folk Choir.

Arabs may lose part

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Mouammar said the Arab Community Centre would have used alternative names such as Bethlehem, Ramallah, Nablus and Gaza—towns in the occupied areas—but, Ca- ... unable to ... proposal.

He expressed the hope that ... chairman ...con Kossar would relent and permit the Arab Community Centre to use the name El-Kuds.

Efforts to reach Kossar for comment were unsuccessful, and a Caravan spokesman declared that officials of the multi-ethnic festival had nothing to add to their March 6 press release.

The release, in part, read: "On March 1, Caravan received a letter from the Arab Community Centre advising it agreed to use the name Baghdad. . . . Caravan was then advised by letter . . . which indicated a retraction of the name Baghdad. . . . Caravan subsequently indicated to this group that Caravan's original position remained as stated . . . and that it was prepared to consider participation under one of the names previously used by the Arab community."

Frank Dimant, executive vice-president of B'nai B'rith, was asked whether he would object if the Arab Community Centre were to call its pavilion El-Kuds.

"For any other pavilion to be called by the name Jerusalem, Yerushalayim . . . or El-Kuds would clearly indicate to us that political motives are behind the second pavilion," he replied. "Politics has no place in Caravan.

"The Arab community has 22 countries from which to pick names of cities. We wish them success in their pavilion, and I personally look forward to visiting their pavilion, and extend an invitation to the entire Arab community in Toronto to visit the Jerusalem pavilion."

Asked whether B'nai B'rith would raise objections if the Arab Community Centre used the names Bethlemen, Ramallah, Nablus or Gaza, Dimant said: "The decision reached by Caravan is correct. . . . I don't want to add any fuel to the fire."

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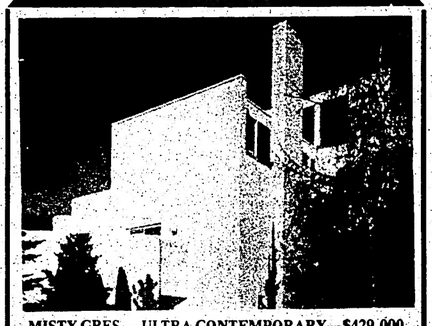

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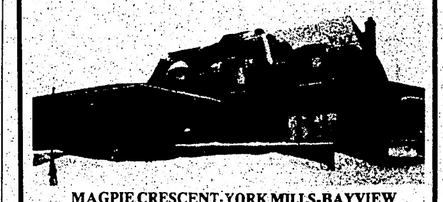

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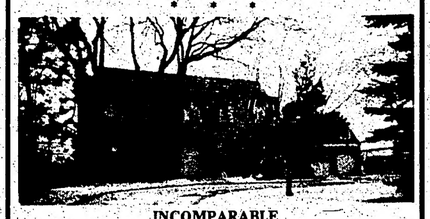

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This house is a "gem". Magnificent panelling and natural wood trim throughout enhances quality of this 4 bedroom home. Separate living room has log burning fireplace encased with natural wood cabinets, French doors lead to panelled dining room. Separate breakfast room off large kitchen, fantastic finished and panelled lower level with brand new bathroom, super storage areas. Circuit breakers, copper plumbing, stained glass windows and more. Act fast — won't last. Renee Bald 789-4325.

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Just Listed — Lower Village — E. of Spadina Rd.
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$148,900 Exceptional Bathurst-Steeles
4 bdrm 2 storey, sunken living rm, formal dining rm, Hollywood kitchen, w/o. family rm, 3 baths, central air, 2 car garage, Rose Stone 224-2800.

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Bayview-Thornhill — New 4 Bedroom — $118,900
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First Jew in space

By DAN BRIN

LOS ANGELES — Judith Resnik will be the first Jewish astronaut.

The 28-year-old Xerox engineer, who now lives in Redondo Beach, stems from one of the most prominent Conservative Jewish families in Akron, Ohio.

She is one of the 35 lucky men and women chosen by NASA to perform experiments on the Space Shuttle in the 1980s. Of the 35, six are women and three are Black men.

In a telephone interview, Ms. Resnik told Heritage that her father, Dr. Marvin Resnik, is a leader of the Akron Jewish community. The older Resnik is an optometrist who has been active in the United Jewish Welfare Fund campaign and is a member of B'nai B'rith.

Her grandmother, Anna Resnik, has "devoted her entire life to Jewish causes" in Cleveland, where she has raised funds for charities in Israel.

And her grandfather, Jacob Resnik, was a **shochet** in Cleveland.

As for Judith, she says she does not belong to a synagogue nor identify strongly with Jewish causes. She observes events in the Middle East "with interest," she says.

But she has had a Jewish education. She attended Sunday and Hebrew school classes until she graduated from high school and was a Bat Mitzva at Akron's Temple Beth El, where her father has served in the Temple choir for about 20 years.

She knows Hebrew, she said. She has not visited Israel.

The Resnik family ties to Israel are deep however. Anna and Jacob Resnik left almost all of their possessions when they fled Kiev to Palestine in the 1920s.

There, the impoverished family put together enough money to emigrate to the United States.

Marvin was "seven or eight at the time," Judith says. He studied in a yeshiva during their stay in Palestine.

Judith has a younger brother who is a physician in Richmond, Va. He is excited about having an astronaut for a sister.

Judith earned her BA in electrical engineering at Carnegie-Mellon University in Pittsburgh and her PhD at the University of Maryland. During her studies, she worked part time with RCA and the National Institute of Health in Washington, D.C.

She moved to Redondo Beach in October, 1977, and is single.

Resnik heard of the opening in NASA 18 months ago and applied, she said, "because they were interested in women with a scientific background and I thought a position as mission specialist would be an interesting extension of my career."

Asked how she felt about her place in history as one of the first American women—and the first Jew—to physically reach the stars, she said:

"I feel NASA has chosen 35 new astronauts. I am one of the 35 who were picked."

Meanwhile, Judith prepares for the excitement of NASA training, which begins in Houston on July 10.

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IN SONG AND JOY

(Jack Eisner photo)

Youngsters from the Hashomer Hatzair Zionist movement participate in a rousing sing-along session.

Situation in Quebec

PQ referendum drawing variety of heated opinions

in my view

By CHARLES LAZARUS

MONTREAL —

Every time Israel goes through another economic shudder, they like to retrieve the story about David Ben-Gurion being advised by a member of his cabinet, who came up with the great idea of going to war with the United States.

"What good would that do?" said BG, who always made it appear that he was more naive than he seemed. "How would that help the economy?"

"Very simple," was the response, "we'd certainly lose the war with the U.S., just as Germany and Japan—and look how they prospered after they were occupied by the U.S."

To which Ben-Gurion replied, "Of course, of course; but what happens if we win?"

If you can apply this story, true or false, to the "situation" in Quebec today, the allegory is really not that far-fetched.

As the referendum debate gathers steam, and evidence increases that perhaps the Parti Quebecois won't have so easy a run of it, there are voices now heard, saying:

"Yes, so they lose the referendum for independence, but what will happen then? Will the young militant separatists take it lying down? Will the street demonstrations and busted windows and mailbox bombs start all over again?"

In other words, to believe or accept the fears of the fearful about a pyrrhic victory with the loss of the referendum by Rene Levesque and his followers, the anti-independentists are in a no-win situation.

In terms of some members of the Jewish community, who are always afraid that any nationalist extremism rebounds first on the Jews, they have a choice of following one of two approaches.

One is to support the policy of accepting the "reality," which is to say **le fait francais** or the French fact, in order that the hard-core Quebecois separatists extend a measure of credibility to the Quebec Jewish community's ability to become a viable element of the "collectivity," to use Camille Laurin's favorite phrase.

The other is to buy the position taken by the Canadian Jewish Congress Eastern Region, which is to proclaim itself as politically untouchable so that, whatever happens, we'll be in a position to deal with whatever develops. In other words, butter your bread on both sides so that it will never fall to the floor without a buttered side up.

There is, of course, a third alternative which is rarely mentioned and which some of the key Jewish leadership never discusses—just as they rarely deal openly with the fears among many individual Jews, of the consequences of a referendum defeat for separatism.

The third alternative, is simply to tackle the political leadership at the provincial and federal levels, to seek a commitment that a majority vote against independence would still mean that this will be a responsible, democratic society with authorities undertaking to prevent any social disorder.

It is interesting to note that every so often, even during his recent appearance before a public meeting arranged at his request with Montreal Jews, Premier Rene Levesque dropped a hint that he really isn't too sure how the doctrinaire **independentistes** will act or react, if the referendum vote goes against them.

Solution creates problem

TEL AVIV (ZINS) —

Israelis hold the world record for consumption of eggs. National consumption is 1.4 billion eggs yearly, representing a per capita use of 400 for each man, woman and child.

At the same time large surpluses of 300 million eggs were being created in Israel and were being consigned to cold storage. In order to deplete these stocks and free storage space, tens of millions of eggs were sold abroad at substantial losses.

The situation was ludicrous, in that Israel buys feed from the United States for which is expends millions of dollars in order to produce eggs which it then sells abroad at a huge loss. In order to solve this problem, the Minister of Agriculture, Arik Sharon, encouraged farmers to slaughter more egg-laying hens by offering a special premium.

The move was successful. As a result of the incentive payments, the stock of egg-laying hens was considerably reduced.

However, now this "solution" has created a new problem. There is now a twin shortage both of poultry for food as well as of eggs.

Letter to the Editor

Israel needs you

Israel has already returned to Egypt territories far beyond any plan which was offered to us before. Today, many political leaders are arguing and shouting that this will not be the case in Judea and Samaria—and we all know that essentially it will be the case. We do know, or at least guess, the enormous political need of all the Western world to make peace in this area under a kind of united Western flag, but we also know that the conditions we are forced to obtain are among the worst possible ones.

At the same time, we know that we have no point to argue. If a Jewish majority could be developed and maintained in these territories, it would be an entirely different case.

From the security point of view, prospects are better than the ordinary people here expect, but there is another danger, more serious than the external one. As a society, we are not well organized. We have serious educational and social problems, including social inequalities. The economic changes which are due to come with peace will cause severe disturbances in this society. To confront them we need very much long-term planning, organization and hard discipline.

These are exactly our weak points. In short, we badly need immigrants. This is a critical moment when we need not primarily your money but your physical presence, your technical and organizational power, together with whatever traditions you have.

David Gordon,
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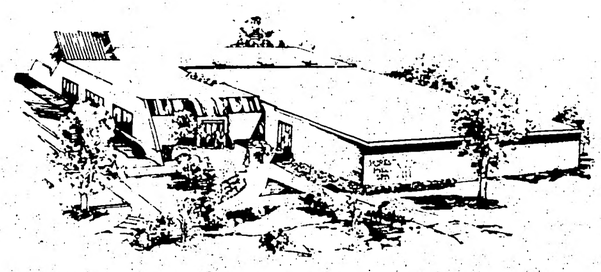

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